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## NEWSWATCH

### About to ditch

LOS ANGELES, June 2 (Reuters): A TWA airliner stricken by a fuel leak was within 13 minutes of running out of fuel and being forced to ditch into the Pacific when it made an emergency landing in Hawaii, the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) said on Wednesday.

FAA spokeswoman Elly Brekke said the Lockheed L-1011, carrying 205 passengers from Los Angeles to Honolulu, had only 3,500 pounds (1,600 kg) of fuel left, when it touched down at Hilo airport on Monday.

The aircraft would normally burn 16,000 pounds (7,250 kg) of fuel an hour, she said.

**Woman's remains**  
CAIRO, June 2 (AP): Firefighters broke into a woman's apartment in a burning building and found the skeleton of an elderly woman who disappeared three years ago, police said today.

La Col Magdy Kamal said the woman's landlord had been trying to have her evicted because she hadn't paid her rent in three years.

**Assistance**  
NEW DELHI, June 2 (KUNA): India will provide Nepal a 33 million Nepalese rupees assistance to construct a bridge across Mohana River in far western Nepal off India's northern Uttar Pradesh state.

An agreement to this effect was signed in Kathmandu on Wednesday by India's Ambassador to Nepal, A.R. Deo, and Secretary in the Nepalese Finance Ministry, Lok Bahadur Shrestha.

**Passport strike**  
LONDON, June 2 (Reuters): British travellers desperate to obtain passports began queuing at issuing centres in the small hours of Friday morning in a bid to beat a one-day strike by clerical workers.

The Civil and Public Services Association called on members at five passport offices to back strikers at Britain's Sixth Centre, in the northern city of Liverpool, who walked out on Tuesday to press demands for more staff.

**Small families**  
ATHENS, June 2 (UPI): Iranian President Ali Khamenei today urged his nation to raise smaller families, and not blame Islam if they had many children, the official Islamic Republic News Agency said.

**Drug overdose**  
CICERO, Illinois, June 2 (UPI): Rudy Linum, the distraught father who disconnected his comatose son's life-support system at gunpoint, was hospitalised yesterday suffering from a drug overdose, officials said.

**Breakthrough**  
CAMBRIDGE, Massachusetts, June 2 (AP): Sperm cells can be used to introduce foreign genes into animals, a discovery that could make it much easier to produce genetically engineered animals, says a study published today.

**Three killed**  
CHANDIGARH, India, June 2 (Reuters): Sikh extremists shot dead three men yesterday for selling pro-Hindu newspapers in northern Punjab state, police said.

**Dies in accident**  
STOCKHOLM, June 2 (Reuters): A former managing director of Swedish arms manufacturer AB Bofors who died in a car accident, police said yesterday.

**4 die in blast**  
DHAKA, June 2 (AP): Rebel tribesmen exploded bombs in the markets of two towns in the southeastern hill region, killing at least four people and injuring 12 others, police said today.

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## Security trial verdict on June 24

KUWAIT, June 2 (Reuters): The state security court is to pass judgement on June 24 on 33 people, including 18 Kuwaitis, charged with plotting to kill public figures and overthrow the government, the official news agency KUNA said yesterday.

The agency said three of the accused had been released from jail pending the verdict. Another 13 are at large and being tried in absentia.

Seven Kuwaitis were charged at an initial open hearing on May 13 with plotting to kill public figures or their children, a charge carrying the death penalty or life imprisonment.

The others were accused of belonging to banned groups seeking the overthrow of the government. They included several Iraqis, two Iranians, two Lebanese and a British citizen of Lebanese origin.

Subsequent hearings have been closed to the public, but KUNA quoted an official source as saying the final session would be open.

According to press reports, one of those released was the Briton, university professor Sami Hassan Al-Hujaij.

The main accused is Jabir Abbas Al-Badri, alias Abu Al-Hassan.

## Unemployment in Gulf rising

### Appeal to hire more nationals

BAHRAIN, June 2 (Reuters): Gulf Arab states are facing rising unemployment and officials are worried about finding jobs for their citizens. Unemployment in some of these countries has risen by as high as 13 per cent, according to official reports.

Bahraini Mohammed Yousef washes cars in the parking lot of a five-star hotel in Bahrain while he looks for a job with more promising future. Eighteen-year-old Mohammed, oldest in a family of 12, says his parents don't approve of his work — normally the domain of the island's Asian labourers — but they welcome his earnings of around four dinar (\$11) a day.

He is one of a growing number of young Gulf nationals who have been forced by their shrinking economies to take jobs they would have rejected outright during the oil boom a decade ago.

### Use of public money criticised

AT a seminar held to discuss the difficult loans scheme Kuwaiti lawyers Mohammed Al-Jassem and Faisal Al-Zamel criticised the use of public money to settle debts while Faisal Al-Mutawa said that more attention should be given to increasing the value of debtors' assets.

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Palestinian workers return identity badges reading 'Alien worker' in Hebrew after the day's work is completed in Ariel Jewish settlement in the occupied West Bank. (Reuters wirephoto)

## Settlers raid food convoy to Gaza

### New ID for Palestinians

OCCUPIED JERUSALEM, June 2 (Agencies): Israeli peace activists attempting to deliver food and medicine to Palestinian children in Gaza Strip refugee camps were attacked and beaten today by Jewish settlers shouting "PLO get out."

Also today, Israel media reported that the Army plans to issue orders restricting the movement of West Bank settlers suspected of involvement in vigilante raids against Palestinian communities.

A raid blamed on settlers last Monday resulted in the death of a 13-year-old Palestinian girl and injuries to two other Palestinians.

An Israeli court in Kfar Saba near Tel Aviv remanded seven Jewish seminarians suspected of participating in the raid to custody for five more days. All are students from the Tomb of Joseph seminary in the West Bank town of Nablus.

The seminary's spiritual leader, Rabbi Yitzhak Ginsburg, today justified the slaying and said the blood of Jews and non-

Jews cannot be equated.

In the occupied territories, six Arab teenagers were wounded by Army gunfire, including a 14-year-old boy from Gaza City who was shot in the right leg.

At least 503 Palestinians and 22 Israelis have been killed since the Arab uprising began in December 1987.

The peace activists, most of them from the coastal city of Haifa, were met at the Army-controlled Erez junction checkpoint entrance to the Gaza Strip by about 100 Jewish settlers carrying Israeli flags.

The settlers tried to stop the activists from unloading their food donations, mainly powdered milk and rice, and several fistfights ensued.

The Israeli Army began issuing computerised plastic identity cards to Palestinians in Gaza Strip to try to increase its control over the Arab population.

Media reports said the Gazans would have to show the cards on leaving and re-entering the strip through Army checkpoints.

An economic boom fuelled by rocketing oil prices in the late 1970's ushered in an era of tremendous wealth in the region, along with a flood of Asian, European and American workers.

Economists say despite a determined drive by governments of the six-nation GCC to replace expatriates with nationals, imported labour still outnumbered locals, especially in the private sector.

With more than half their people under the age of 20 and the population multiplying at a near record rate of 3.6 per cent, Gulf officials are worried about finding jobs for their citizens.

A UN study has predicted the total population in GCC members Kuwait, Bahrain, Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates will swell to 27.9 million by the year 2000 from 15 million in 1985 and 18.6 million in 1989.

We have unemployment at the moment and it could be as high as 10 per cent... this is not acceptable," Bahrain's labour director Abdulrahman Zayani said.

Zayani said there were three main reasons for the problem: slower economic growth due to lower oil prices, more young people entering the workforce, and the availability of cheap foreign labour which flooded the region in the late 1970s.

To reverse the trend, the government has launched a scheme to replace 20,000 expatriates in the private sector with Bahrainis during the next five years.

It targeted 13 occupations ranging from drivers to hotel staff and sent letters to 400 firms asking each to comply with an individually-designed replacement plan by June 1994.

"The study assumed no economic growth — if there is growth we have no objections to the

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### Cauterised Baby dies

KUWAIT, June 2 (Reuters): A two-month-old Kuwaiti baby died from burns after being cauterised as part of a traditional bedouin folk remedy, local newspapers said yesterday.

Al Seyassah said police were investigating. Many bedouin believe searing the sick with a hot iron rod will drive out illness.

## Syrian blockade is likely to end

BEIRUT, June 2 (Reuters): Beirut media reports yesterday said a 10-week blockade of Lebanon's Christian enclave was likely to end on Monday with new efforts by Arab states to end 14 years of civil war.

The independent An Nahar newspaper said Syria and its Muslim militia allies would lift air and sea blockades as Lebanese leaders prepared for possible political talks after weeks of heavy shelling in and around Beirut.

Christian-run Voice of Lebanon radio quoted political sources in Christian East Beirut as saying the blockades, which caused serious food and fuel shortages, would end on Monday.

Sources close to Major General Michel Aoun, who heads a mainly Christian administration vying for power with a Muslim-led cabinet, said he was likely to restate his approval of an Arab peace proposal.

The plan, agreed last week at an Arab summit in Casablanca, calls for a committee of Morocco's King Hassan, Saudi Arabia's King Fahd and Algerian President Chadli Benjedid to help convene a meeting of Lebanon's parliament. The committee will meet in Morocco this weekend to discuss strategy to end the civil war.

Pro-Syrian Muslim sources linked any lifting of the blockades to Aoun's attitude to the Arab summit proposal.

Aoun said today that fresh fighting was likely to break out unless Syrian troops lifted their blockade.

"They have to lift the blockade... if not, there is a big risk that fighting will start again," Aoun told Visnews television news agency.

Syrian gunners and their allies fired some 30 shells into the sea around the Christian ports of Beirut, Jounieh and Byblos today, security sources said.

It was the heaviest shelling since the Arab League, ending a summit in Casablanca, appealed last Friday to both sides to respect the ceasefire it mediated on May 11.

A previously unknown group calling itself the "March 14 Organisation" said today it had planned to kill Aoun last week.

A type-written statement in Arabic sent to an international news agency in West-Beirut said: "The March 14 Organisation claims responsibility for the operation which six of our strugglers arrested in Cyprus have dedicated themselves to carry out."

March 14 marks a day of intense artillery bombardments between troops loyal to Aoun and Syrian forces.

Israel said it took a serious view of reported Syrian troop movements in neighbouring Lebanon and had expressed its concern directly to Moscow which it said was supplying Damascus with offensive weapons.

But a leading Israeli military analyst yesterday accused Syria of spreading rumours about a bogus buildup of its forces in Lebanon in a bid to put pressure on its Christian rivals.



### Landslide hits

MANILA, June 2 (AP): Rescue workers battled rain and shifting ground today to try to reach at least 21 people trapped after landslides and a fire hit a remote gold-mining community in the southern Philippines, officials said.

The military and the government's office of civil defence said 11 people were killed in the twin disasters. But a regional mines official said the count included three men presumed dead but whose bodies have not been recovered.

The disaster struck last Tuesday when heavy rains caused a maze of tunnels on the slopes of Mount Diwalwal in Davao del Norte province to cave in. The collapse triggered a fire that razed at least 180 shanties of miners and traders, officials said.

Mario Luis Jacinto, regional director of the Bureau of Mines, said in a telephone interview from Davao city that more than 500 people initially reported missing had been accounted for by late Thursday. They never were buried in the landslide, he said.

Relief workers and soldiers inspect (above) the mining village which was struck by landslide and fire. (Reuters wirephoto)

## FBI 'knew' of plots to kill anti-Marcos men

### Case filed

### 16 envoys terminated

SEATTLE, June 2 (Agencies): Plaintiffs representing two slain union officials who opposed the government of former Philippine President Ferdinand Marcos said yesterday that US intelligence agencies knew of attempts to kill anti-Marcos activists in the United States.

The allegations were contained in a declaration filed in US district court in Seattle, asking US judge Barbara Rothstein to order the Federal Bureau of Investigation and several other US intelligence agencies to release additional documents in the discovery phase of a trial scheduled for Oct 16.

Marcos, the Philippine government, US government agencies and several other individuals were named as defendants in the suit filed in 1982 by the families of Silme Domingo and Gene Vienes, two cannery union officers and anti-Marcos activists who were gunned down in Seattle in 1981.

Marcos gave a disposition related to the charges filed against him in the lawsuit, but he probably will not testify because of deteriorating health, Domingo said. But it is hoped Marcos' wife, Imelda, will testify.

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## Number of street children growing

MANILA, June 2 (Reuters): At five every evening nine-year-old Mak-Mak Ignacio sets up his wooden cigarette stand in Manila's redlight district.

"I'd rather be in school," he says in a whisper, staring down at grimy bare feet as he fidgets with the seam of his baggy green shorts.

"But my mother says I have to do this."

Mak-Mak is one of some 50-75,000 street children in the Philippines capital and an estimated 20 to 30 million in Asia.

As rapid industrialisation and migration from rural to urban areas swell the cities of the world's most populous region, more youngsters must fend for themselves.

In Bangladesh, they call them "street boys" — slum children who survive by collecting garbage, shining shoes, begging and washing cars.

In Thailand, they are the "throwaway kids", sleeping under bridges, putting on boxingshows for tourists and sniffing paint thinner to get high and dull their hunger.

A recent study by Philippine social workers showed that Manila street children working as vendors earned an average 10 pesos (47 US cents) a day.

Ten to 50 times that much can be made by turning to the lucrative sex trade.

Representatives from 10 Asian nations met in Manila at a regional conference on street children in May and said a new age of materialism in the region's industrialising countries was causing traditionally close-knit families to fragment.

Experts from Communist countries like Vietnam and China also reported a worsening street children problem as a result of poverty and, ironically, in some cases, of government attempts to encourage market-oriented growth.

The secretary-general of Thailand's National Youth Bureau said improved transportation and the growing presence of Western tourists willing to give begging children money had drawn rural children to Bangkok in search of easy cash.

"Tourism accelerates these problems," Saisuree Chutikul said in an interview during the first regional conference on street children.

The problem is worse in Latin America, where the United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund (UNICEF) estimates half the world's 100 million street children live. In countries like Brazil, Colombia and Mexico, about 70 per cent of the population now lives in cities, compared with 30 per cent in 1945.

Conference organisers from UNICEF and Childhope, a private international group working to help street children, said they feared the Asian problem would grow.

Peter Tacon, chairman of Childhope, said of the problem: "It's very much worse now than it was 10 years ago and it's going to get worse."

Dr Duong Quang Trung, director of the Vietnamese government's health services in Ho Chi Minh city, estimated the city had 3,000 street children and said the number was rising fast.

He said official figures showed there were 35,000 arrests of vagrant youths there each year.

In China, the number of street children picking through rubbish, performing in streets for money and working as prostitutes has risen since 1985.

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**I spy**

Bahman Aqaee, 40, a former Iranian Foreign Ministry legal expert, confesses to spying for the United States in an interview aired on Iranian Television on Thursday night. See page 5. (Reuters wirephoto)



## INTERNATIONAL

Bulgaria  
expels  
ethnic  
Turks

ANKARA, June 2. (Reuters): Bulgaria expelled 220 ethnic Turks into Turkey today, Turkish officials said.

The acting governor of Edirne province, Mustafa Aykut, told Reuters by telephone that most of those expelled were driven to Turkey's Kapikule border point in special buses but others crossed the frontier by car.

The new arrivals brought to 620 the total number of ethnic Turks forced out of Bulgaria since May 6, mainly for mounting a wave of hunger strikes and demonstrations against forced assimilation.

Earlier groups mostly left through Yugoslavia and Romania.

Turkish Foreign Ministry spokesman Inal Batu said today that "for the first time they (the Bulgarian authorities) are deporting people directly over the joint border, which is against all international norms."

Turkey says there are 1.5 million ethnic Turkish in Bulgaria, remnants of Ottoman rule in the Balkans. Bulgaria considers the Bulgarians who were forced by the Ottomans to convert to Islam.

Bulgarian leader Todor Zhivkov appealed to Turkey on Monday to open its borders to "Bulgarian Muslims" who wished to leave.

Turkish Prime Minister Turgut Ozal said Turkey's borders have always been open and appealed for talks for an emigration agreement.

According to a report by the London-based human rights group Amnesty International, Turks in Bulgaria have been forced to take Bulgarian names, banned from speaking Turkish and forced to abandon traditional clothes and customs.

Turkey has not given any figure for deaths during the disturbances of the past weeks.

Dispute over  
mosaics in US

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., June 2. (Reuters): A representative of the Greek Orthodox Archbishop of Cyprus testified in court yesterday that his church still owns four sixth-century Byzantine mosaics on an American art dealer is trying to sell.

Pavlos Mahieriotis II, abbot of the monastery of Machaeras, produced a certified copy of land records showing that the church owns the building from which the mosaics were allegedly plundered in 1979.

"They are our spiritual treasures," he said. "They were put on the walls and sanctified by holy liturgy and are part of our Christian life."

## Uno elected PM, appoints cabinet

## New faces brought in to blot out scandal

TOKYO, June 2. (UPI): Souseke Uno, declaring he is not a caretaker, today was elected Japan's 47th prime minister and immediately appointed a cabinet filled with new faces in a bid to blot out the nation's worst political scandal since World War II.

"Our party now faces the most serious political problem in its history caused by the Recruit scandal and I will devote myself to reconstruction of the party and remaining public trust in government," Uno said.

The 66-year-old former foreign minister rejected claims

that he was being called upon to serve only as a short-term leader until public anger over the influence-buying scandal subsides and more powerful party leaders can take over.

"It depends on what I can do in the following months," Uno said.

In a whirlwind day, Uno was elected the 13th president of the Liberal Democratic Party which has ruled Japan since 1955, and later confirmed by both houses of parliament.

Uno collected 285 of the 477 votes in a special session of the

lower house in which opposition parties failed to unite behind one candidate.

The upper house then cast 124 of its 220 votes for Uno, officially making him the prime minister, succeeding Noboru Takeshita, who was forced from office in the worst political scandal in post-war Japan.

Takeshita announced his intention April 25 to step down over the so-called Recruit insider stock trading scandal, ending 19 months of stormy rule.

Takeshita and former prime minister Yasuhiro Nakasone have acknowledged respon-

sibility for the scandal in which the Recruit Co., an information services conglomerate, allegedly tried to bribe 160 politicians, bureaucrats and businessmen with millions of dollars worth of stock, political donations and gifts.

The second-place candidate, Socialist Party chairwoman Takako Doi, took 139 votes in the lower house and 65 in the upper house.

Uno, the third Japanese prime minister in 19 months, named his 21-member cabinet tonight which included only five members of Takeshita's previous

slate. Uno said he retained Finance Minister Tatsuo Murayama, 74, in an effort to maintain continuity during the current period of world-wide economic flux.

Ryutaro Hashimoto, the new secretary-general of the Liberal Democrats, said politicians linked to the influence-buying scandal were excluded from cabinet appointments.

Hashimoto, however, admitted receiving nearly 2.5 million yen (\$18,000) in donations from the Recruit Co., which he said were within the limits of fund-raising regulations.



Souseke Uno

Withdrawal call  
angers India

## Muslims dispersed

COLOMBO, June 2. (UPI): India today declared Colombo cannot unilaterally order to withdraw its forces from northeastern Sri Lanka as police in Colombo dispersed Muslims rioting against the failure of Indian troops to protect them from Tamil radicals.

President Ranasinghe Premadasa in a surprise announcement yesterday declared he will request that New Delhi by July 29 pull out its more than 60,000 strong contingent deployed across the Tamil-dominated northeast to enforce an Indian-brokered peace plan.

In New Delhi, Indian Foreign Ministry spokesman Aftab Seth said a pullout "cannot be decided by looking at the calendar. It has to be decided in consultation with the Sri Lankan government, taking into view the situation on the ground."

"We are a little puzzled about the proposed request," Seth said. "We are puzzled about why Premadasa is making a special issue about the question of troop withdrawal. The process is already underway."

Indian Prime Minister Rajiv Gandhi on April 24 said he planned to bring home "the bulk of the force as soon as is practicable, but in a manner that the gains achieved by its presence would be preserved."

Military experts say New Delhi has reduced its force by about 10,000, but has otherwise been rotating the troops with little real decrease in the force, which has suffered nearly 3,000 casualties in combat against the Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam (LTTE) guerrilla group.

Indian officials have said New Delhi has the right to keep its military deployed if it holds there is a threat to the July 29, 1987 Indo-Sri Lankan accord, which tried to end the now six-year-

long Tamil rebellion by granting the northeast limited self-rule.

Varadaraja Perumal, chief minister of the northeastern provincial council created under the accord, said "until necessary powers are granted to the Tamil people and the proper climate created for their peaceful existence, they would never agree to the departure (of the Indians)."

Perumal is a leader of the Eelam People's Revolutionary Liberation Front (EPRLF), one of four Tamil militant groups that endorsed the Indian peace plan and are now being trained and armed by New Delhi's forces should there be a pullout.

A statement released by the EPRLF and two other former rebel factions comprising the council warned that "we will not remain silent spectators to the unilateral imposition of such decisions by the Sri Lankan government."

Muslim leaders claim Indian troops during the past two weeks have provided no protection to three Muslim villages in eastern Sri Lanka, where they allege the EPRLF has killed more than 20 people and razed 70 houses to try and compel Muslim political support.

The dispute inspired more than 1,000 Muslims to storm out of the capital's main mosque following Friday prayers and began rioting in Colombo's central Maradana area.

Demonstrators shouted anti-Indian slogans, pelted police and Tamil-owned shops with stones and torched two buses during the 40-minute-long protest, which ended when officers dispersed the crowd with tear-gas.

Premadasa said he wanted the Indian soldiers out by July 29 because it would not be possible to hold a summit of South Asian leaders in Colombo in November "when a foreign army is operating in the country."



Unenthusiastic Chinese youngsters take part in official demonstration. (Reuters wirephoto)

Benazir going to  
US to seek help

## Storm-clouds loom

ISLAMABAD, June 2. (Agencies): Pakistan's Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto heads to the United States next week on one of the most important foreign visits of her brief rule.

Benazir is to arrive on June 5 in the United States for a five-day profile tour that is to include talks with US President George Bush, Secretary of State James Baker and congressional leaders.

Benazir said that issues toping her agenda will be economic and military aid and narcotics control.

"The primary message of the visit and the talks will be that freedom has returned to Pakistan. It is not only a success for the people of Pakistan but for all those who believe in freedom," she said.

The Western-educated Benazir, 35, is the first woman to head a modern Muslim state and has attracted much favourable attention in the West. But many of her constituents have been less enamoured.

"There is no place in Islam for a woman leader," says Maulana Samiul Haq, a vocal opposition leader in the Senate or upper house of the Parliament.

Pakistan and the United States are long-time allies. Relations were further cemented during the past decade when Washington stepped in to help anti-communist Afghan rebels, headquartered in Pakistan.

Because of Pakistan's staunch support for the Afghan rebels, Washington looked with favour on requests from the late military strongman Mohammad Zia-ul-Haq. Under Zia, the Army removed Benazir's father, Zulfikar Ali Bhutto as prime minister in 1977. Bhutto was executed in 1979 on charges of plotting to murder an opponent.

During the past month, Benazir has appeared to be carving out a more independent Afghan policy with a return to her earlier emphasis on negotiations rather than a protracted war. But she has remained adamant that the communist government in Kabul has to go if there is to be a settlement.

The Afghan issue is expected to dominate talks with Bush and his administration, who have

also been trying to come up with their own policy.

A sensitive issue is Pakistan's role in the development of nuclear weapons. The US Central Intelligence Agency has for years claimed that Islamabad may already have "a bomb in its closet." Foreign Ministry officials admit Bush will certainly bring it up.

Benazir has repeatedly said Pakistan is not producing a nuclear bomb and wants only to develop a peaceful nuclear energy programme.

Six months after she became prime minister, the first storm-clouds are gathering over Benazir.

Price rises in basic goods are beginning to undermine the sympathy of the people, political analysts say, and protests are multiplying.

The main opposition Islamic Democratic Alliance (IDA) has recovered from the shock of last November's elections and looks more confident every day.

Benazir's inexperienced Pakistan People's Party (PPP) has flirted with several of the smaller opposition parties but failed to secure any lasting alliance.

On the eve of her government's first full budget and a high-profile trip to the United States, the 35-year-old prime minister is beginning to look isolated.

For the moment her position in the National Assembly seems secure. Her party falls short of a majority, but should be able to count on the support of enough religious minority, tribal and independent deputies to stay in office.

But in the longer-term the party's prospects are less rosy and its opponents have started demanding fresh elections.

"Her position is not as strong as it was a few months ago," a Western analyst commented. "A lot of the population are upset with the government, there is a lot of disappointment."

Perhaps Benazir's main achievement is to have remained in office at all. When the PPP emerged as the biggest single party after the first open elections for 11 years, many Pakistanis doubted the armed forces would let her take over.

Troops appear in  
new show of force

## Chinese students burn newspaper

BEIJING, June 2. (Agencies): Tens of thousands of troops marched toward Tiananmen Square today but were pushed back by students and their supporters who blocked the road.

The troops apparently were moving against pro-democracy students who have been camped out on the square for the last three weeks.

They advanced down Changan Avenue, the capital's main street, but thousands of students and others filled the street to stop them in front of the Beijing Hotel, several hundred metres (yards) east of the square.

Citizens backing the students blocked the street with four trucks.

There was some pushing and shoving between the troops and students but the soldiers, mostly young men, did not appear to be armed. They wore khaki pants and white shirts and carried canteens.

At one point, 50 soldiers linked arms and tried to break through, but were quickly pushed back.

The troops then retreated along the sidewalk six abreast as the crowd yelled, "The People's Liberation Army loves the people."

The middle of the square remained calm, with the "Ode to Joy" of Beethoven's ninth symphony blaring over the student loudspeakers.

About 300,000 people crowded into Tiananmen Square this evening when Ho Te-Chien, a singer from Taiwan who defected to China in 1983, and three others began a hunger strike atop the Martyrs' Monument in support of the students' six-week-old campaign for democratic reforms.

The troop movement follows a series of indications that the country's leaders were prepared to confront students who had occupied the square since May 13.

In recent days, troops had started marching and deploying closer to the square, the symbolic centre of Chinese power. Authorities yesterday renewed warnings to foreign journalists against reporting on the student demonstrations. Such reporting was barred under a May 20 martial law order in Beijing in response to the student-led protests, but had previously been unenforced.

The US television network Cable News Network reported from Beijing the troops carried riot shields. The CNN correspondent said there was no warning of the impending troops movement, although authorities had repeatedly ordered students to leave the square in the past weeks.

Such an action by the government had been expected in the wake of reports that hardliners in the Communist Party leadership had won an internal party struggle over moderates sympathetic to the students' call for democratic reforms.

Marches in support of Premier Li Peng, who declared martial law for much of Beijing on May 20, were staged in Beijing suburbs in the past few days, but participants appeared bored and said they had been ordered to attend.

The propaganda blitz against the students even reached the storefront of the US fast-food restaurant Kentucky Fried Chicken, located near Tiananmen. A large banner outside the restaurant read: "Maintain stability and unity. Protect order in the capital."

Several joint venture hotels catering to foreigners also have put up signs reading "Take a clearcut stand against bourgeois liberalisation" — a reference to China's catchphrase for acceptance of Western ideas.

The official news media continued to demand that the students leave the square and lambasted the "Goddess of Democracy," a model of the Statue of Liberty, that was set up by the students on Tuesday.

Still, some stories sympathetic to the students were slipped into the state-run press, which had printed a flurry of unbiased reports on the protests until political conservatives regained control and declared martial law.

Ambiguity clouded the struggle for political power triggered by the student movement.

Communist Party chief Zhao Ziyang, a reformer who advocated making concessions to the students, has reportedly lost his post and is under house arrest.

But Chinese and diplomatic sources said it was still unclear whether the hard-liners, led by senior leader Deng Xiaoping and Premier Li, had the clout to embark on a major purge against Zhao's followers.



## Plane nose-dives

SYDNEY, June 2. (UPI): A Qantas 747 jetliner shot up and nose-dived en route from Sydney to Singapore, injuring 46 passengers, before reaching its destination today, airline officials said.

The jet, carrying 300 passengers, went out of control while 450 nautical miles southeast of Derby, in West Australia, while flying last night at 30,000 feet (9,000 m).

The jet shot up 1,500 feet (450 m) before nose-diving, throwing unbuckled passengers about the cabin.

Capt. Les Hayward, manager of Qantas' 747 fleet, said it was like "a roller coaster ride as passengers floated from their seats."

Passengers crashed against cabin walls as the pilot, Lyn Williams, fought to regain control of the aircraft after an apparent failure of the craft's auto-pilot system.

The 46 passengers were treated at Royal Darwin Hospital for cuts and bruises. Picture shows a passenger being wheeled into the hospital. (Reuters wirephoto)



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PEOPLE AND PLACES

**SAN DIEGO:** Twelve people are charged in an international scheme to smuggle rare and exotic birds into the United States, the US attorney's office said.

Seven of the defendants were arrested Wednesday, and five remain fugitives, said assistant US attorney Cynthia Millage.

The charges they face include conspiracy to import wildlife, importation of wildlife contrary to law, transportation, sale and purchase of prohibited wildlife, and aiding and abetting.

A 20-month undercover investigation that involved US fish and wildlife service agents posing as collectors of exotic birds led to the charges. (AP)

**CAMBRIDGE, Massachusetts:** Many American adults suffer from "cosmic illiteracy," with nearly half surprised to find out the sun is a star, researchers said.

A nationwide survey of 1,111 adults found only 55 per cent knew the sun is a star, only 37 per cent believed the sun will eventually burn out and only 24 per cent knew the universe is expanding.

Only a third of American adults have a minimally acceptable understanding of the universe, researchers from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and Northern Illinois University concluded in Wednesday's edition of the British journal *Social Studies of Science*.

**LOS ANGELES:** Lisa Marie Presley, 21-year-old daughter of Elvis Presley, has given birth to a girl, a spokesman said on Wednesday.

Lisa Marie, who married musician Danny Keough, 23, last October after they had known each other for three years, had her first child two days ago in St John's Hospital in Santa Monica, a spokesman Paul Bloch said.

The baby, who weighed seven pounds two ounces (3.23 kg) at birth, and her mother are in excellent health, Bloch said. The parents are very happy, he said, adding the baby had not yet been named. (Reuters)

**HAMBURG:** West Germany's West German authorities have clipped the wings of amateur pilot Matthias Rast two years after his daredevil flight to Moscow's Red Square.

The Hamburg state government said on Thursday it had turned down the 21-year-old Rast's application to have his pilot's license renewed.

Government spokesman Wolfgang Reike said officials had met Rast several times and concluded he had displayed "unreasonable and reckless behaviour" disqualifying him from the right to a flying licence. (Reuters)

**NORTH CHICAGO, Illinois:** June 2, (AP): The parents accused of forcing their baby to drink acid apparently had devised a scheme to collect money in a bogus product tampering case, an investigator said.

"We never saw a case that is as heinous or violent. It's beyond imagination," said detective Johnnie Phelps Jr.

Sheila Smith, 26, and Ricky Irby Sr., 27, have been charged with murder in the death of Quenten Irby, who was three months old in 1984 when he was taken to a hospital with acid burns in his mouth and throat.

Associate judge Harry Harrel yesterday ordered the parents held in lieu of \$1 million bond each. They are to be arraigned on Wednesday.

Phelps, a 14-year veteran of the North Chicago Police Department, investigated the case and said Smith and Irby casually became involved in the same neighbourhood as Phelps' father.

"They were just two average people, well known in the neighbourhood, with good reputations," said Phelps. "Ricky always seemed to be a nice guy, but I was in trouble with the law, he said, until a Lake County grand jury indicted them on murder charges on Wednesday.

The parents said Quenten had ingested tainted baby formula, and he lingered near death for more than two years, unable to eat, drink, speak or breathe on his own.

**MALIBU, California:** J. Paul Getty Museum bought a 16th-century painting by Pontormo for more than \$35 million Wednesday, setting a world record for the sale of an old master artwork, officials said.

The museum bid successfully for the Italian Renaissance painting "Portrait of Cosimo I de' Medici" (1537-38) by Jacopo Carucci, better known as Pontormo, at a Christie's auction in New York, museum director John Hayes said.

Auction house officials said the museum paid \$35.2 million for the masterpiece. (UPI)

**FORT WORTH, Texas:** The field of 38 pianists competing for the gold in the 88th Van Cliburn International Piano Competition was cut to 12 Wednesday night as the prestigious music contest completed its preliminary rounds.

The 12 survivors from nine countries include three of the four competitors from the Soviet Union and two of the three from China. Of the 10 Americans in the field, only Kevin Kenner, 26, is among the semifinalists, which include nine men and three women.

"The quality and the level of artistry has been so high this year, it's devastating when we make a cut like this to see the ones who are left out," because in any other year, they could have been gold medalists, said Susan Tilley, chairwoman of the Van Cliburn Foundation Board. (UPI)

## Free speech shield extended Ruling issued

**CHICAGO, June 2, (Agencies):** A judge has ruled that the US constitution's protection of free speech for Americans extends to international libel cases, a ruling that could have broad implications for American speakers and authors.

Ruling in a \$100-million lawsuit brought by former Indian Prime Minister Morarji Desai, US District Judge Charles Norgle said Tuesday that it must be proven that journalist and author Seymour Hersh intentionally distributed a libelous book in India.

Desai's lawsuit contends the former prime minister was defamed in Hersh's book, "The Price of Power - Kissinger in the Nixon White House," which said Desai sold state secrets to the Central Intelligence Agency.

Desai's attorney said Wednesday the federal court opinion dismissing part of Desai's libel suit will not damage the remainder of the complaint.

"It's an unusual opinion, but a well-thought out one," said Robert Orman, Desai's attorney. "I wish it had been a little stronger for our side, but the rest of the case stands on its own."

Legal experts say Norgle's ruling is the first of its kind and signals protections for US authors, speakers and publishers whose domestically produced works are later published or distributed abroad.

Desai filed a \$185 million suit in Chicago in 1983, charging the book was intentionally and recklessly libelous under both American and Indian law.

But in a 30-page opinion, Norgle said Desai must prove Hersh intentionally distributed an allegedly libelous book in India if the author is to lose his constitutional protections.

Norgle's opinion dismissed one count of the four-count complaint, seeking damages for negligent defamation under US law, and postponed a ruling on two others dealing with Indian law until June 16.

The case is scheduled to go to trial Sept 13. Attorneys for the 94-year-old Desai sought to recover damages based on the lesser standard of negligence, rather than the "actual malice" standard as required under US law in libel cases involving public figures.

In such cases, Norgle wrote, a public figure must, in addition to proving the statements are untrue and defamatory, show "the defamatory falsehood was made with actual malice - that is, with knowledge that it was false or with reckless disregard of whether it was false or not."

**BEIJING:** Thousands of women are being kidnapped and sold to farmers in Hebei province, where hundreds of people are getting rich through the illegal human trade, an official newspaper reported Thursday.

Farmers in Quyang county have paid from 30 yuan (\$13) to 5,000 yuan (\$1,337) for about 5,000 women abducted from more than 10 provinces to become their wives, the English-language *China Daily* reported.

More than 1,000 people are engaged in the lucrative business, including one who built a five-room house with his earnings, the report said, quoting the *China's Women News*. (AP)

**PARIS:** France has agreed to drop its visa requirements for American tourists following Washington's announcement of a similar loosening of travel requirements for French citizens, the Foreign Ministry said Thursday.

A ministry spokesman said an "agreement in principle" had been reached to lift the visa requirement for US citizens, but that no date had been set for the new regulation to take effect.

Ministry sources said they expected that Americans would be able to enter France without visa sometime this summer. (UPI)

**STOCKHOLM:** Entertainer Liza Minnelli has been fined 12,500 crowns (\$2,000) for bringing her pet dog Lilly into Sweden in April in violation of quarantine regulations, court officials said on Friday.

The district court of Helsingborg said Minnelli admitted bringing the little terrier into the country on April 9 when she arrived to perform in Stockholm with Frank Sinatra and Sammy Davis Jr.

Lilly slipped into Sweden unnoticed with Minnelli's entourage, but the dog's presence at the Stockholm Grand Hotel where Minnelli was staying was reported to police. (AP)

**NEWARK, New Jersey:** A man wanted since 1971 in the shooting death of his wife, 35-year-old mother and three children has been arrested, authorities said Thursday.

John List was arrested in Richmond, Virginia, Westfield police chief Anthony Scutti said. His case was featured last weekend on a national network television programme "America's most wanted."

Since the broadcast, tips have been coming in to police headquarters, Scutti said.

"From what I understand he's denying it, but they've checked his fingerprints and it's positive," Scutti said. (AP)

**BOGOTA, Colombia:** The national police announced Thursday that three top officers have been arrested and ten others fired for allegedly working for powerful drug trafficking cartels.

Commander Miguel Gomez Padilla declared his office "will be inflexible in applying whatever corrective measures are necessary to maintain discipline, order and to guarantee good service to society."

According to the Bogota daily newspaper *El Tiempo*, a total of 23 officers have been arrested and 23 expelled from the force in recent months on charges of corruption. (AP)

**LOS ANGELES:** Four "skinheads" who attacked an Iranian couple in the mistaken belief they were Jewish were charged on Wednesday with assault and violating the victims' civil rights.

"These are four white supremacists who decided to let off some steam with their words and their fists," prosecutor Ira Reimer said. "This is a hate group."

Manocheher Sadri, 30, and his wife Farzaneh, 28, who was carrying the couple's two-week old son, were attacked on Sunday in a car park outside the supermarket La Verne, a Los Angeles suburb. (Reuters)

**GALLATIN, Tennessee:** A jury has found the son of a former federal director guilty of larceny for his role in helping bury a body without a casket.

Gary Wilks, 31, faces additional charges in a burial scandal in which authorities found more than two dozen bodies buried without caskets and vaults in Kentucky and Tennessee.

Wilks was convicted Wednesday of larceny by false pretenses in the burial of a man in 1988 without a vault and casket paid for by the man's family. (AP)



David Bowie sings with his band, Tin Machine. (Reuters wirephoto)



Tina Turner (left) and Keith Richards play during the International Rock Awards in New York on May 31. Turner was one of the presenters with Eric Clapton and Richards was given 'The Living Legend Award'. (Reuters wirephoto)



Tina Turner hugs Keith Richards during their performance at the International Rock Awards in New York. (Reuters wirephoto)



Keith Richards performs at the awards show. (Reuters wirephoto)



Keith Richards smiles at Eric Clapton as they play. (Reuters wirephoto)

## Rock 'n' roll greats honoured at awards show

**NEW YORK, June 2, (Agencies):** "Volume One (Travelling Wilburys)" won Album of the Year Wednesday night and Guns n' Roses took the award for artist of the year at the first International Rock Awards.

The Travelling Wilburys, is composed of rock legends Bob Dylan, George Harrison, Tom Petty and the late Roy Orbison. The estate of Elvis Presley gave promoters permission to use the late performer's name, and each winner received a

one-foot (1.3-metre) statue of the legendary singer.

The band "Living Colour" won honours as Newcomer of the Year. Elvis Costello won his "Elvis" for songwriter of the year. Amnesty International won the award for tour of the year.

The show ended with a jam by Clapton, Keith Richards, Tina Turner, David Bowie, Sheila E., Living Colour, Dave Edmunds and Clarence Clemons.

Rolling Stone Keith Richards was

beamed live by satellite to 50 countries. Included in the all-star band of the year were: Madonna, lead female vocalist; Bono, lead male vocalist; Eric Clapton, guitar; Sting, bass; Steve Winwood, keyboards and Phil Collins, drums.

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Rolling Stone Keith Richards was

crowned a "living legend" at the first Elvis Awards ceremony.

The legend bit's easy. The living is hard," Richard said after receiving his prize at the International Rock Awards at the New York State Armory.

The event, beamed by satellite to 50 countries, was nicknamed the Elvis awards because of the foot-high (30 cm-high) statues of the late king of rock 'n' roll given to winners.

## Menopause gains more attention

**AMSTERDAM, June 2, (Reuters):** Menopause, once seen as the private scourge of middle-aged women, is gaining medical attention amid evidence that the hormonal changes it brings affect the health of older women, experts said on Wednesday.

"This is still a procedure that's in early development. But I'm very enthusiastic about it," said Dr Zev Rosenwaks, director of Cornell University's Centre of Reproductive Medicine and Infertility. "I think it's a breakthrough."

The procedure, called partial zonal dissection, or PZD, involves extracting eggs from a woman and making a tiny incision to help the sperm enter.

It has been attempted at 12 clinics worldwide, but the only documented success has occurred at Reproductive Biology Associates of Atlanta, a private company working with the Emory University Medical School Centre for Infertility.

Dr Jacques Cohen, the company's scientific director, said of the 27 women he has treated during the past year, seven became pregnant and four have delivered babies - including two sets of twins. The three others are pregnant.

One of those women, Diane Geheber of Atlanta, gave birth to a baby boy on April 30, six years after she and her husband, Fred, first looked into in vitro, or test-tube, fertilisation as an answer to their fertility problems. They tried PZD after other attempts failed.

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## New procedure may help infertile men

**ATLANTA, June 2, (AP):** A new surgical technique that opens human egg to create a microscopic passageway for sperm has led to seven pregnancies and could raise the odds for infertile men, researchers say.

The method is so new that fertility experts aren't certain of its benefits. But they agree it has wide-ranging implications for thousands.

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## MEDICAL FILE

**■ Lover identified:** An Australian television presenter has ignored a court ban and named the AIDS-infected lover of an Australian princess who died of the disease two weeks ago.

Justice Geoffrey Kennedy said on Wednesday western Australia's attorney-general would have to decide whether Derryn Hinch breached a Supreme Court order by naming "Mr X" on his nationwide current affairs programme from Perth. Hinch, identified the lover of Princess Helen Jah, estranged wife of Prince Mukkaram Jah, eighth Nizam of Hyderabad, on Tuesday.

Viewers in western Australia saw the "censored" across Hinch's face while the name was "bleeped" out. Other states heard the name. (Reuters)

**■ Nicotine free:** Philip Morris Co., hoping to succeed where other tobacco companies have failed, is testing consumer reaction to a new cigarette that is almost free of nicotine.

The product reportedly uses new technology to deliver a taste similar to regular cigarettes yet with only trace amounts of nicotine.

Nicotine is considered a toxin, and reducing its content has been a focus of tobacco company marketing efforts for years. Last year US Surgeon-General C. Everett Koop compared nicotine to heroin and cocaine when he identified it as the addictive ingredient in cigarettes. (Reuters)

**■ Lens limit:** The US government said on Wednesday it was recommending that extended-wear soft contact lenses be worn continuously for no more than seven days, instead of the current standard

of 30 days.

The Federal Food and Drug Administration said it had asked makers of the lenses to adopt the stricter standard and most major producers had informally agreed.

The FDA said a recent study showed the risk of a vision-damaging disease in which tiny wounds develop on the cornea that can cause pain and destroy vision - was about five times greater for users of extended-wear lenses than for users of daily-wear lenses. (Reuters)

**■ Drug approved:** The US Food and Drug Administration approved a long-awaited drug that should greatly reduce the need for blood transfusions in kidney patients and others suffering from severe anaemia.

FDA Commissioner Frank Young said yesterday the availability of the genetically engineered drug Eprex "is anticipated to improve the quality of life of thousands of individuals." (UPI)

**■ Cancer risk:** A virus commonly found in the bodies of women appears to more than double the risk for cancer of the cervix, according to a new study of more than 2,200 Latin American women published on Wednesday.

The study, reported in the current issue of the *New England Journal of Medicine*, found that 62 per cent of 759 women with cervical cancer carried human papillomavirus (HPV) compared with 32 per cent of the 1,467 people in the control group, who did not have cancer. (Reuters)

## Cave woman healthy after underground stay

**HOUSTON, June 2, (AP):** A woman who spent a record 130 days in a New Mexico cave for an isolation experiment appears to be faring well after her underground stay, according to doctors testing her for possible bone loss.

Stefania Follini, 27, an interior decorator from Ancona, Italy, appeared happy and healthy yesterday as she described the experiment as a positive experience.

Doctors checked Follini to see if she lost any bone mass during her period of reduced activity, and they are waiting results from a battery of other physical tests.

"She looks fine to me," said Dr Adrian Leblanc, manager of nuclear medicine for Houston's Methodist Hospital, where Follini was tested this week. The only noticeable difference is a 17-pound (7.7 kilogramme) weight loss. She now weighs 90 pounds (41 kilogrammes).

Follini's waking hours had gradually lengthened. She first reported having problems

adjusting to a 24-hour day, but said yesterday she had overcome most of those.

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## NEWS IN BRIEF

## Proton rocket

MOSCOW, June 2, (UPI): The top stage of a heavy-booster proton rocket that lifted three satellites into orbit on Wednesday failed to burn up completely in the atmosphere, and fragments fell near the US-Canadian border, the Tass news agency said today.

## MIG jet fighter

ANKARA, June 2, (AP): A high-level Soviet embassy official said yesterday that the MIG jet fighter flown to Turkey by a pilot seeking asylum was an advanced model and not an old one as claimed by Turkish Premier Turgut Ozal.

## FSX jet fighter

TOKYO, June 2, (UPI): Americans act as if they were infected with measles and suffering from high fever when they talk about the FSX jet fighter and Japanese motives in the project, a senior executive with Mitsubishi Heavy Industries said on Wednesday.

Mitsubishi, the chief contractor for the FSX project, has no intention of ever selling the FSX technology developed with the United States or using it to develop their own commercial aircraft, said Takaaki Yamada, executive vice-president in charge of aviation.

## Spying missions

GLASGOW, June 2, (AP): British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher warned the Soviet Union against conducting spying missions in Britain, saying "we are not going to tolerate the intolerable."

Thatcher, in an interview in yesterday's Glasgow Herald, was quoted as saying that the Soviets' expulsion earlier this month of 11 Britons for alleged espionage was nothing more than a response to Britain's ejection of 11 Soviets accused of spying.

## Priest shot dead

REGGIO CALABRIA, Italy, June 2, (Reuters): A Roman Catholic priest was shot dead in remote mountains in southern Italy today and police said he may have been slain by the Calabrian mafia.

Police found Father Giosue Giovannozzo, 53, slumped over the wheel of his car on a road near the Aspromonte mountain sanctuary of Polio, where he worked. He was the first priest to be murdered in Calabria since 1966.

## Assessors replaced

STOCKHOLM, June 2, (UPI): Two politically appointed lay assessors, chosen to sit in judgment on the suspect for the 1986 assassination of Social Democratic Prime Minister Olof Palme, were yesterday replaced after defence attorneys challenged their objectivity.

Defence lawyers for 42-year-old Christer Pettersson protested against two of the six lay assessors appointed for the trial which will start 6-5, following newspaper interviews with the two earlier this week.

## Mandela awarded

GABORONE, June 2, (UPI): Jailed-for-life African National Congress leader Nelson Mandela has been awarded a \$200,000 human rights prize named after Libyan leader Moammar Khaddafi and honorary Libyan citizenship, a Libyan diplomat said yesterday.

The award will be presented to one of Mandela's daughters at a ceremony on June 10 in Tripoli, the Libyan People's Bureau secretary in Botswana, Salem Elfallouh, told the Botswana Press Agency.

## Liberty medal

PHILADELPHIA, June 2, (UPI): Polish Solidarity Union leader Lech Walesa has been selected as the first recipient of the Philadelphia Liberty Medal, officials announced on Wednesday.

Martin Meyerson, president emeritus of the University of Pennsylvania and chairman of the International Medal Selection Commission, said Walesa would receive the medal and a \$100,000 cash award.

## Diplomatic career

LONDON, June 2, (Reuters): Former child movie star Shirley Temple Black, who fashioned a diplomatic career as an adult, is coming back to Czechoslovakia as US ambassador to the country, the White House said yesterday.

Black, 61, was a member of the US delegation to the United Nations in 1969-70 and was ambassador to Ghana from 1974-76.

## Foreign aid bill

WASHINGTON, June 2, (Reuters): The House of Representatives' Foreign Affairs Committee yesterday accepted an amendment to a foreign aid bill that would continue a seven-to-10 ratio in providing US military aid to Greece and Turkey.

Under the amendment, proposed by representative William Broomfield, the bill would set aside \$350 million in foreign military financing for Greece and impose a ceiling of \$500 million for Turkey.

## Police assignments

BELFAST, June 2, (Reuters): A Dublin-born policeman yesterday took over one of the toughest police assignments in Europe and promptly became a prime IRA target.

## Copters crash

ROME, June 2, (AP): Two police helicopters collided during exercises over Rome's Villa Borghese park, killing two officers and injuring three others yesterday, police said.

## Battling blaze

MOSCOW, June 2, (Reuters): Soviet firefighters, aided by US specialist Red Adair, are battling a blaze aboard three rigs at an offshore oil complex in the Caspian Sea, the Soviet Oil Ministry said today.

## Human rights activist jeered by Soviet Congress

MOSCOW, June 2, (Agencies): Soviet human rights campaigner Andrei Sakharov was jeered and shouted down in the new Soviet parliament today when he attempted to defend charges that Soviet troops committed atrocities in Afghanistan.

The unruly scene came as the powerful Communist Party Central Committee prepared to meet to discuss the inaugural session of the Congress of Peoples' Deputies, the first competitively elected Soviet legislature in 70 years.

"We'll evaluate how the work of the Congress is going," Politburo member Alexander Yakovlev said in confirming the 251-member central committee would meet later in the day.

The Congress' inaugural session, which began last week, has been marked by unprecedented public criticism of the Soviet government and Communist Party — all on national televi-

sion. Soviet legislatures traditionally have been rubber stamps for party and government policy. But under political restructuring and more openness under President Mikhail Gorbachev, the new Congress has demonstrated the underlying anger at deficiencies in the Soviet system, such as shortages of food and other supplies.

Today's session erupted in angry debate when Deputy Sergei Chervonopiskiy of the Kom-somol Communist Youth organization accused Sakharov, an outspoken critic of the Soviet intervention in Afghanistan, of "unprecedented badgering" of the Army.

Chervonopiskiy, a veteran of the Soviets' nine-year military presence in Afghanistan, demanded an explanation of an interview Sakharov gave in Canada last spring in which he was quoted as saying Soviet pilots

killed soldiers they could not save from being captured by Afghan rebels.

"We take this as a belittling of the honour, dignity and memory of those sons of the motherland who fulfilled her orders to the end," he said.

Chervonopiskiy, who lost both legs in the war, said, "We are outraged by his irresponsible and provocative assertions."

His speech brought deputies to their feet with thunderous applause and, for the first time since the Congress of People's Deputies opened nine days ago, the entire presidium including President Mikhail Gorbachev joined the standing ovation.

The hall erupted into a chorus of jeers when Sakharov advanced to the podium to defend his allegations.

"I deeply respect the Soviet Army and Soviet soldiers," Sakharov tried to shout over the clamour of insults and handclap-

## Watchdog body may oversee KGB

NEW YORK, June 2, (AP): The chief of the KGB says the newly elected Soviet legislature should have full authority over his agency, and US congressional oversight as its model, the New York Times reported today.

Vladimir Kryuchkov, in his first interview with Western reporters, said yesterday that the Supreme Soviet would probably create a commission similar to the congressional committees charged with overseeing intelligence activities in the United States, the Times reported.

"We are decidedly in favour of this," he said. "And as far as the creation of a commission is concerned, I think we'll borrow some of the experience of the Americans."

Included in the legislature's powers would be the authority to approve the appointment of the KGB chairman, Kryuchkov said.

Human rights activists have said the KGB, the Soviet union's intelligence and secret police agency, should be accountable to the new legislature in order to protect citizens' rights and keep police powers in check.

Kryuchkov, who was appointed last October, spoke with reporters a day after a member of the new Congress, Yuri Vlasov, charged that the KGB "exercises all-embracing control over society, over each individual."

The frankness of the accusation shocked other legislators and millions listening on radio.

ping to drown his words. The television showed senior Army officers screaming abuse at the Nobel prizewinner.

"I never insulted the heroic Soviet soldiers who served there, but the war itself, which was a criminal adventure and a huge crime by our country, which cost

the lives of almost one million Afghans. It was a war of annihilation, a terrible sin."

He recalled that his protest against the Soviet intervention in Afghanistan at the time had led to his six-year exile to the closed city of Gorky. "I am proud of that exile and regard it as an award," he declared.

Clearly aware that his words were having no impact on the enraged, Sakharov left the podium, making way for a succession of Army officers and other delegates, who denounced his remarks as slander, lies and an insult to the nation.



Liani: wedding

## Marriage plans

Life with PM: Liani

ATHENS, June 2, (Agencies): Greek Prime Minister Andreas Papandreu's girlfriend said yesterday he was now free to remarry and they planned to hold a church wedding.

Air hostess Dimitra Liani, 34, said Papandreu's marriage with his American wife Margaret was over after 38 years.

Speaking in an Athens radio interview from the living room of a luxury villa where she moved in with the 70-year-old prime minister last November, she said they planned to marry to seal a "perfect" relationship.

"Margaret Papandreu is a woman who stood by the prime minister's side, a family was created and she always helped him. But this has ended. The cycle has closed and we must accept this as hard as it is," she said.

Papandreu married Margaret Chant, 65, in the United States in 1951. They have three sons, including Education Minister George Papandreu, and one daughter.

After months of wrangling, Papandreu's lawyers said last week Margaret finally agreed to a divorce.

"Yes we plan to marry. I have not made my mind yet if it is going to happen before or after the (June 18 Greek) elections. It will be a religious marriage. The date has nothing to do with the elections, it had to do with the divorce," Liani said.

Papandreu's affair with Liani became public last September in London where the prime minister underwent open-heart surgery. She said they had a steady relationship since 1986.

Nude photographs of the blond woman recently appeared in newspapers and Papandreu acknowledged last month that his love affair had hurt the standing of his Panhellenic Socialist Movement (PASOK) in opinion polls.

"I felt very bad when I saw the pictures. I am sorry of the way my body was used so that millions could be made ... I have cried for those pictures, they could have been leaked to the press by friends. This is even more painful," Liani said.

Papandreu has been treating Liani as an unofficial first lady. She is introduced to visiting state leaders, campaigns at his side and flew to a NATO summit last Saturday.

Liani, an Olympic Airways air hostess, said she met Papandreu on a flight to Germany. "First there was a climate of mutual sympathy which evolved into a relationship," she said.

She denied press allegations that she was influencing the prime minister's policy decisions, saying, "Dimitra Liani is not governing this country. Andreas Papandreu has been governing a long time before Liani's existence. The prime minister has a maturity and a wisdom no one can ignore."



## Sentenced to life

BELFAST, June 2, (UPI): A court sentenced two men to life in prison yesterday for their role in the killing of two British soldiers who were beaten by a mob and shot after straying into an Irish Republican Army funeral last year.

Alex Murphy, 31, (left) and Harry Maguire, 29, (right) both from West Belfast, smiled and joked as Lord Chief Justice Sir Brian Hutton convicted them of taking part in the murders, concluding the 32-day trial held under heavy security at Belfast crown court.

The judge sentenced the two to life in prison for the killings of Corporals Derek Wood, 24, and David Howes, 23, who were seized by mourners when they accidentally drove their car into the path of a funeral for an IRA member in March 1988. (Reuters wirephoto)

## Call for abolition 4 hanged, Tutu seeks reprieve for others

JOHANNESBURG, June 2, (Agencies): Four people, including a woman, were hanged for non-political crimes at dawn today, raising to 28 the number of people executed this year amid growing appeals for an abolition of the death penalty.

A Justice Department spokeswoman said the four who were hanged at Pretoria Central Prison included Sandra Smith, 24, the first woman to hang in two years, and her co-accused, Yassiem Harris, 21. Both were classified as "coloured" under the country's racial laws.

They were sentenced to death in December 1986 for the gruesome murder of a 16-year-old girl in Cape Town.

Michael Erasmus, 24, also "coloured," was executed for the murder of a fellow prisoner in 1987. The fourth man to hang, Jacob Ndaba, a 28-year-old black man, was convicted in 1987 of committing five murders in a week.

With an estimated 270 prisoners on death row, including 14 sentenced last week to hang for a single murder during political unrest, church leaders and human rights lawyers have appealed to the government to abolish the death penalty.

A recent Amnesty International report put South Africa third behind Iran and Iraq in official executions between 1985 and mid-1988, at 537, most of them black.

Anglican Archbishop Desmond Tutu, opening the Anglican Church's provincial synod in Durban Wednesday, called for an abolition of the death penalty and reprieves for a number of death row inmates, including right-wing gunman Barend Strydom and the "Upington 14."

Strydom, a 23-year-old former policeman, was sentenced last week to hang eight times for the killings of eight blacks in November last year.

Strydom said in court last month that he had intended to assassinate Tutu, a Nobel Peace prize laureate. He said he had killed the blacks at random because their high birth rate threatened his dominant Afrikaner (Dutch-descended) community.

Tutu said: "He is a child fed on the hatred and contempt that are the logical consequences of apartheid and its horrendous racism."

He added: "I hope we will add our voices to those who will campaign for a reprieve for the Upington 14."

The 14, from the remote mining town of Upington near the Namibian border, were sentenced last Friday to hang for the murder of a policeman in 1985.

Meanwhile a bomb blast caused damage but no injuries today at the home of the leader of the Indian Chamber of Parliament, police said.

Ebrahim Abramjee, chairman of the South African House of Delegates, was visiting Britain with his wife at the time, but his three sons and his 80-year-old mother were at the house when the bomb exploded shortly after midnight (2200 GMT) in Lusitum, a township for Indians outside Pretoria.

## West will keep up its nuclear guard

Bush euphoric over Europe trip

LONDON, June 2, (UPI): President Bush, who wrapped up his week-long European diplomatic fence-mending mission and returned to the United States today, declared the West supports the "profound change" in the Soviet bloc, but will keep up its nuclear guard.

Bush and his senior aides could not conceal their euphoria over a triumphant journey as they prepared to board Air Force One for home.

The President delayed his departure to plant an oak tree on the grounds of the US ambassador's residence in Regent's Park. He departed from Heathrow airport to spend the weekend at his summer place in Kennebunkport, Maine, and planned to return to Washington Sunday.

His dramatic disarmament plan, calling for manpower and weapons cuts in the NATO and the Warsaw Pact military alliances, was universally hailed by allied leaders.

In a toast last evening at a dinner in his honour at No. 10 Downing Street hosted by Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher, Bush said his proposals for conventional arms reductions "seek to free Western Europe from the shadow of Soviet military power."

Similarly, he added that the compromise agreement to begin negotiating a partial reduction of short-range nuclear missiles approved at the NATO summit meeting in Brussels, Belgium, this week "demonstrated we can manage, while remaining true to our strategy of deterrence."

"In short," he added, "the recent NATO summit was nothing less than a triumph for all." "It was a triumph for all who yearn to move beyond a divided Europe, a Europe of armed camps, to a Europe that is whole — a Europe that is free," he said.

The President, who has appeared tired but happy, said "profound change is sweeping the nations of the East. We in the West support these forces of change. We want them to succeed ... to endure."

He said that such changes would have seemed "widely unrealistic" just a few years ago.

Bush dropped a major hint in an interview published today that more dramatic arms control moves may be coming from his administration.

In an interview with the Washington Post, Bush said that the way to deal with change in the Soviet Union is "through cautious contact and hopefully other bold proposals."

Bush added, however, that while he wants Moscow to continue to "lighten up" in its dominance of Eastern Europe, he said he believes the time is not yet right for US discussions with the Soviets on individual countries in Eastern Europe. He said he would not want the Kremlin to perceive such discussions as an attempt to "divide things up with the Soviets."

Two principal players, West German Chancellor Helmut Kohl and British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher, viewed the plan for a major pull-out of super-arms and weapons in Europe as a major breakthrough.

During visits to Bonn and London, the hosts heaped praise on Bush. "The President comes here after a very, very successful NATO summit due to the leadership of the United States under the presidency of George Bush," said Thatcher at the windup of a two-hour meeting with Bush.

Bush and Thatcher reaffirmed the "special relationship" between their two countries yesterday as Bush wrapped up a European tour credited with re-establishing US leadership in disarmament and East-West relations.

"We think very much the same way, which isn't surprising," Thatcher said after the meeting with Bush.

"I want to assert the special relationship between the United States and the United Kingdom is continuing," Bush said. "I felt I was with a friend today and I can assure people in the United Kingdom that from our side of the Atlantic this relationship is strong and will continue to be."

When asked if Britain is still the United States' "most important" ally, Thatcher responded: "I think you might put it more tactfully. America has allies throughout Europe and throughout the free world. I would like to think that we pride ourselves on being among the foremost of the United States 'friends and we will always be.'"

Bush told the Washington Post a historic shift may be underway from East-West military confrontation to global emphasis on economic relationships.

Stating that the Soviet Union may be in a "state of radical change," Bush said: "Our doctrine need no longer be containing a militarily aggressive Soviet Union. It means a united Europe. It means a Europe without as many artificial boundaries."

He would not predict a timetable for the changes he said were under way in Moscow. But as they occur, US policy "will be substantially different because we won't be dealing with as much emphasis on military deterrence. We will be dealing much more with openness and reformed economies."

The Arab-Israeli dispute and the Middle East situation were dealt with in detail during talks here between Bush and Thatcher.

A "substantial" part of the wide-ranging discussions focused on the region, with both leaders comparing notes on their recent meetings with the hardline Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir, said a US spokesman.

## Wright will quit, defends himself

WASHINGTON, June 2, (Agencies): US House of Representatives Speaker Jim Wright said yesterday he felt liberated after an emotional speech to the House announcing his resignation and defending himself against charges he broke House rules.

Colleagues of the Texas Democrat, meanwhile, voiced hopes the House could now turn away from bitter partisanship over ethical questions and concentrate on legislation.

But Democratic national chairman Ron Brown yesterday blasted the Republican Party, calling it the party of character attack and smear.

Wright told reporters: "I feel liberated. I will get to do a lot of things I enjoy in life and have been postponing — to read, reflect and be with friends in a leisurely setting."

Wright, the highest-ranking US Democrat, is to step down when his successor is elected. House Democrats are to meet on Tuesday and are virtually certain to name Tom Foley of Washington, the present Democratic leader, as speaker.

Wright told the House on Wednesday he would resign his congressional seat before the end of the month.

Brown, the first black to head a national US party, singled out Representative Newt Gingrich, a Georgia Republican, for special criticism in a commencement address at Hunter College in New York City.

Gingrich first raised the charges that served as the basis for the House ethics committee investigation of Wright. Gingrich now says there may be up to 10 other Democrats in line for probes.

Wright portrayed himself as a victim of his own ambitious political agenda and of Republicans angry with his activist stance on Central America.

In a 1 1/2-hour luncheon with reporters, one day after announcing his resignation Wright was jovial at times, choked with emotion at others.

He said he may have been too much in a rush to make a mark on history.

Wright reached back to memories of his adolescence in Dallas, when he became interested in President Woodrow Wilson's ideas for the League of Nations.

"From that time, I didn't want to do anything except come to Congress and help make a more peaceful world," Wright said, his voice cracking.

A prosecutor is assigned to investigate news leaks that the FBI is investigating allegations against a half-dozen prominent Democratic office holders, the Justice Department said yesterday.

An FBI inquiry that included questioning of Congressman William Gray may involve a former House budget committee assistant ousted from a previous committee job because she did not show up for work, sources close to the fourth-ranking House Democrat said Wednesday.

The Pope said the 12th century cathedral, Scandinavia's greatest work of medieval art, "speaks to us of an age when Christians had not yet suffered the sadness of division."

On the first papal visit to countries which have some of the world's highest living standards but one of the lowest levels of church attendance, the Pope said science and technology had failed to bring inner peace.

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## UK-Saudi deal

JEDDAH, June 2: Britain is establishing a joint venture air-to-air missile maintenance plant in Saudi Arabia, a government official in the kingdom said. Prince Fahd Bin Abdullah, chairman of the kingdom's Offset Investment Committee, told Saudi businessmen late on Wednesday that British firms had also agreed to build an aluminium smelter in Saudi Arabia. The prince said the missile venture, part of an offset deal linked to Britain's £15 billion (\$26 billion) Al Yamamah arms deals with the kingdom, would considerably enhance Saudi capabilities. Both projects are the first of their kind in Saudi Arabia. Saudi businessmen, meeting in Jeddah over the last three days, heard that British Aerospace (BAE) prime contractor in the Al Yamamah Tornado jet fighter deal, would be the major partner in the smelter and missile maintenance facility. Saudi Defence Minister Prince Sultan (right) met Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher on Wednesday. Prince Sultan left London this afternoon after a five-day visit. (Reuters wirephoto)

## MIDEAST BRIEFS

## Iraq refused finance

PARIS, June 2: (Reuters) The French Finance Ministry has refused to guarantee financing for a major fighter jet contract under negotiation between Avions Marcel Dassault-Breguet Aviation and Iraq, a Paris newspaper said yesterday.

"The Finance Ministry refuses to guarantee the necessary loans as long as the financial dispute between France and Iraq is not settled," the authoritative Le Monde reported.

## Seoul to import tear-gas

SEOUL, June 2: (AP) South Korea plans to import tear-gas spray guns from Israel to replace rifles that fire tear-gas canisters, news reports said Wednesday.

The Chosun Ilbo, an influential Seoul newspaper, said national police have decided to bring in about 230 Israeli-made tear-gas spray guns to combat protesters.

## 'No conditions' on talks

NAIROBI, June 2: (AP) Sudan's foreign minister said today his government will enter into peace talks with southern rebels next week with "no conditions at all."

Sid Ahmed Elhassan, who also serves as Sudan's deputy prime minister, said the talks would be aimed at an agreement on implementation of a previous accord signed last Nov 16.

The talks between the government and the Sudan People's Liberation movement are scheduled to begin June 10 in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.

## Sudan regrets Bangui's decision

KHARTOUM, June 2: (Reuters) Sudan, which refused to let the President of the Central African Republic cross its air space on his way to Israel, said on Thursday it regretted Bangui's decision to cut ties over the incident.

Bangui severed relations on Monday, the day after the flight was turned away. President Andre Kolingba was forced to postpone his visit to Israel.

## Call for war against drugs

NICOSIA, June 2: (Reuters) An Iranian official called for a national mobilisation against drugs similar to Iran's eight-year war effort against Iraq.

Iran's IRNA news agency yesterday quoted anti-drug police official Kiumars Abu as saying 6,700 kg (14,700 pounds) of drugs were seized and 2,700 traffickers arrested since a crackdown began on Jan 21.

## President Assad's son tops

DAMASCUS, June 2: (Reuters) The eldest son of Syrian President Hafez Al Assad has come top in an Army command course, the official Syrian news agency reported.

It said topics covered in the course, attended by Assad's son Captain Bassel Al Assad, 28, and other officers, included practical and theoretical military sciences.

## Book to defend Islam

LONDON, June 2: (KUNA) A British book defending Islam is to be published here later this year, in the wake of the Salman Rushdie affair.

Publishers Chatto and Windos said that "The Satanic Affair: Salman Rushdie and the Rage of Islam," by Malise Ruthven, would be on sale in November.

## North Yemen ties discussed

SANAA, June 2: (Reuters) A senior Iranian official had talks yesterday in Sanaa with Yemeni Deputy Prime Minister and Foreign Minister Abdul-Karim Al Iryani. North Yemen's official news agency reported.

It said Hossein Sadeqi, Foreign Ministry director-general for Gulf affairs, also delivered a message from Iranian Foreign Minister Ali Akbar Velayati dealing with ways of developing relations between the two countries.

## War games

NICOSIA, June 2: (Reuters) Troops backed by fighter-bombers and helicopter gunships today staged Iran's biggest land-based war games since an August ceasefire in the Gulf war.

Tehran Radio said units of the Seventh Corps of the Revolutionary Guards smashed through three lines of "enemy" positions in south Iran.

Troops crossed minefields and barbed wire and a mass tank assault followed, said the radio monitored in Nicosia. Live ammunition was used and the exercise carried the codename 'Qods' (Jerusalem).

## Healing rift

DAKAR, June 2: (Reuters) Senegal and Mauritania are to hold a second round of talks in Mali this weekend to mend a rift caused by last April's ethnic riots. Senegalese Foreign Minister Ibrahim Fall told Parliament yesterday.

He said both countries' foreign and interior ministers would meet in the Malian capital Bamako tomorrow under the auspices of the Organisation of African Unity chairman, President Moussa Traore of Mali.

## Aoun sleeps with pistol under pillow

BAABDA, Lebanon, June 2: (AP) Christian leader Gen. Michel Aoun, whose crusade to drive Syrian troops from Lebanon has made him an assassination target, sleeps with a pistol under his pillow and rarely leaves his command bunker, aides say.

His aides said the stocky, 54-year-old general, a Maronite Christian, believes he tops Syria's most wanted list.

But despite almost incessant Syrian artillery and rocket fire over the last three months and a blockade of Lebanon's Christian enclave, Aoun shows no sign of bowing to the Syrian and Muslim forces that outnumber his mainly Christian fighters by 4-1.

"This war ... needs sacrifice and patience," he said in an interview in his bunker at the presidential palace. "No one wages a war and promises paradise. But I believe I have the support of the people."

Aoun also believes the efforts of his forces have drawn renewed international attention to Lebanon's prolonged crisis.

The genial, blunt-spoken Aoun, Lebanon's Army commander and head of a Christian cabinet vying for legitimacy with Muslim rivals, is under no illusions that his Army units, numbering some 20,000 men, can alone drive the Syrians out of Lebanon.

The Arab League has tried, so far unsuccessfully, to find a solution.

Aoun's strategy has been to force world powers, which he says have largely ignored the Lebanese crisis, to take notice.

"For the first time, there is a real awareness of the Lebanese problem," he said.

"Where was our cause three months ago? It was dead. We have brought it back to life."

Aides said he has left the bunker at the palace only once or twice since he launched his "war of liberation" against the Syrians and their Muslim allies March 8, in the latest round of Lebanon's 14-year-old civil war.

Over the weekend, six Lebanese believed to belong to the Syrian-backed Syrian Social Nationalist Party were arrested in Cyprus, and police said they planned to shoot down Aoun's helicopter when he flew to the Mediterranean island.

The two-storey palace, perched on a hilltop east of Beirut, has been a prime target for Syrian gunners. More than 3,000 shells and rockets have hit the compound.

"Living above ground level was impossible," one aide said.

Shrapnel from 240mm mortar rounds and 180mm howitzer shells litters the broken stone steps at the main palace entrance.

## I spied for US, Iran official admits

NICOSIA, June 2: (Agencies) An Iranian Foreign Ministry legal expert who took part in the early stages of peace talks with Iraq, said on Iranian television that he had spied for the United States since 1983.

Bahman Aqaei, whose arrest was announced in April, said in an interview aired last night that his first seemingly accidental contact with the Americans was made on a flight to Jakarta when he was second secretary at Iran's embassy in New Delhi.

A balding man of about 40, he said his main contact — "Mr David," Second Secretary at the US Embassy in New Delhi — was a key officer of the Central Intelligence Agency in India.

At one meeting in a hotel room, David brought along a man who gave Aqaei a lie-detector test.

The CIA officers were very crude about foreign policy matters ... they stressed the danger of communism and Russians in a ridiculous way to encourage co-operation," he said.

Iranian television has screened confessions of spying by six men, including a former air force pilot, since Parliamentary Speaker Ali Akbar Hashemi Rafsanjani announced the breakup of a network of US spies in April.

Aqaei, who joined the Foreign Ministry before the 1979 Islamic Revolution, said he met more than a dozen times with CIA officers in New Delhi, Singapore, Istanbul and West Germany, the last time after the peace talks with Iraq started in August.

He said the Americans wanted information about the Iranian delegation at the talks which he could not provide because he had a secondary role.

After he was recalled to Tehran from India in 1984, he communicated with Americans by writing some 80 letters in invisible ink on the inner workings of the Foreign Ministry, its plans and names of officials.

Aqaei said when he returned briefly to New Delhi he met a woman operative sent from a CIA headquarters in Frankfurt, West Germany, where the agency's Iran operation was run from.

In later contacts, agents asked him about the effect of Iraqi missile attacks on Tehran.

Aqaei said when he told the agents he wanted to cut off his contacts, they threatened him with "severe consequences."

He did not say, when he was arrested, or if he was linked with other Iranians working for the CIA.

Iranian leader Ayatollah Khomeini is making satisfactory progress from surgery 10 days ago to stem bleeding in his stomach, his doctors said today.

Iranian television last night showed Khomeini, 86, praying on his bed in the open air in the hospital compound.

## Ethiopian Jews face hard life in Israel

ASHKELON, Israel, June 2: (AP) Five years have passed since Ayano Mamo abandoned his farm and began a month-long odyssey from the forests of Ethiopia to the Holy Land, where he envisioned the sun would shine "even at night."

Now Mamo, like many of Israel's 16,500 Ethiopian Jewish immigrants, feels disillusioned and alienated in a country where quiet, traditional Africans don't quite fit in.

Their primitive farming methods are not needed, their lack of sophistication is a cause for condescension, and their skin colour is sometimes a target of discrimination. Even their Jewish faith has been questioned.

The Ethiopians' disappointment is all the greater because of their harsh struggle to emigrate and their dramatic arrival in the US-assisted "Operation Moses" airlift that involved George Bush, then vice-president.

Mamo's road to Israel was harder than most.

After leaving his village in 1984, he was detained by anti-government Ethiopian rebels for one month. They beat his wife and stole his money.

Let go, the family joined other emigrants in walking towards the border with Sudan. It took a month, and without adequate food-and-water their 2-year-old daughter died, one of 10 who perished en route among the group of 150.

In Sudan, 25 more of the group died because of malnutrition and disease, including Mamo's aunt, uncle and three nephews.

But "We had faith in the holy one, blessed be he, that despite the suffering, he was with us," Mamo said through an interpreter in his native Amharic, sitting in his apartment in the southern coastal city of Ashkelon.

As he walked through the desert, Mamo recalled he "thought about the Israel of my dreams. All would be bright and wonderful. Even at night there would be sunshine, after we gathered in from the exile."

Five years since the exodus, almost 30 per cent of Ethiopians still live in dormitory-style government housing centres. The National Council for Ethiopian Jews says unemployment among the Ethiopian immigrants above age 35 is about 45 per cent.

Mamo, 54, lives in a small government-supplied apartment with his wife and four of his children. He has no job, partly because he acquired a blood disease from drinking polluted water on the trek and cannot do heavy work.

The apartment complex where he lives is filled with 2,000 Ethiopian immigrants and is disparagingly called the "Ethiopian ghetto" by unsympathetic neighbours.

Israel officials say they are making progress in settling the new immigrants. The children have proven able to quickly adapt to the new culture, with more than 400 Ethiopians enrolled in Israeli universities and many others serving in elite Army units.

But officials concede the newest immigrants had more difficulties than any of the Jewish communities that came from Europe, the Middle East and North Africa as part of the ingathering that began after the creation of Israel in 1948.

"Most new immigrants spoke French or English and they had some skills," said Uri Gordon, director of Immigration and absorption in the Jewish agency. "With the Ethiopians we had to start anew."



## Wife pleads

BEIRUT, June 2: The wife of the oldest hostage believed held in Lebanon, 74-year-old Briton Jack Mann, yesterday pleaded for news of her husband, saying she had heard nothing of him since he was seized three weeks ago.

The Syrians have been helping...and I trust them to look for him... Please, if you hear any information...please tell me," Sunny Mann asked journalists, as she cried (above) during a press conference.

Jack, a retired airline pilot was kidnapped on May 12 in Syrian-controlled Muslim West Beirut. A previously unknown group called the Armed Struggle Cells claimed responsibility for his abduction.

## Bangkok resists pressure

## US wants Thais out of Rabta

WASHINGTON, June 2: (AP) The United States is continuing to press Thailand about repatriating some 270 of its citizens who work at a Libyan chemical weapons production plant, State Department sources said yesterday.

So far, the Thai government has refused to take action on the US requests, which have been made over the past several months.

"We've made our concerns known through the appropriate officials ... and not at a low level," said the official, who spoke on condition of not being identified by name.

There are estimates that between 25,000 and 75,000 Thais work in Libya.

Libyan leader Moammar Khaddafi has threatened action against other Thais in Libya if the workers at the chemical plant leave.

The plant has been identified by US officials as the largest single chemical weapons facility in the Third World.

State Department spokesman Richard Boucher, asked about the matter, said the United States has often expressed its concern about the plant, and "called on all nations to ensure that their firms and individuals are not contributing to the Libyan chemical weapons programme."

A group of five French soldiers returned from Pakistan last night after four months in that country, with the 30-man strong French contingent, to teach Afghan refugees techniques of how to avoid and defuse mines when they return home.

The French contingent was part of the international humanitarian mission, which included American, British and Turkish troops, that was sent to Pakistan to help Prince Sadruddin Aga Khan who was co-ordinating efforts for the reconstruction of Afghanistan.

## Sudan claims it did not sanction bombing of rebel town

NAIROBI, June 2: (Reuters) The Sudanese government did not sanction the bombing of a rebel-held southern town and has no official information about it, Sudanese Foreign Minister Sid Ahmed Al Hussein said today.

"We hope it was an isolated incident... The Sudanese government is committed to peace," he told a press conference in Nairobi.

Al Hussein, who was in Nairobi to brief Kenyan officials on negotiations to end the six-year Sudanese civil war, said he did not know if the bombing was carried out by a renegade aircraft.

Three people were wounded in the bombing yesterday morning, the first military action since the rebel Sudan Peoples Liberation Army (SPLA) declared a temporary ceasefire on May 1.

UNICEF executive director James Grant protested to the Sudanese government that the bombing threatened the safety of the United Nations' Emergency Programme to

rush food to southern Sudan.

Aid workers said the aircraft involved appeared to be an Antonov transport and said they believed it was a Sudanese Air Force plane. But, according to the International Institute for Strategic Studies, Sudan had no Antonovs.

"The two-engine plane came in flying low and dropped six bombs and came back again to drop another six bombs," said an aid

## O'Connor says he was number two on hit list

NEW YORK, June 2: (AP) Cardinal John O'Connor said he cancelled his trip to West Beirut during a three-day visit to Lebanon because he was told he was on a hit list, according to a televised interview.

First on the list was Sheikh Hassan Khaled, spiritual leader of Lebanon's Sunni Muslims, who was killed May 17 by a car

bomb, O'Connor told WNBC-TV news in an interview broadcast yesterday.

"It was purported that he was to be the first of five on a hit list and then the assumption was that I might well be No. 2," said O'Connor, the Roman Catholic archbishop of New York.

The last visitors Khaled received before his death were

people who came to arrange a meeting between O'Connor and Khaled, the cardinal said in the interview.

Asked if he courts martyrdom, O'Connor laughed and said: "Listen, I try to stay alive even in New York. I'm not a hero, no, there's nothing heroic at all about me. I'm your basic coward."

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## Lawyers warn against using public money to settle loan crisis

**SPEAKERS** at a seminar on the difficult loans crisis warned of the use of public money to solve a problem created by a handful of individuals. The seminar "the difficult loans crisis, a problem or a solution" was called for by the Kuwaiti Lawyers Association. Advocates Mohammad Al Jassem and Faisal Al Mutawa and assistant manager of Kuwait Finance House, Faisal Al Zamel spoke at the seminar.

Jassem and Zamel criticised the use of public money, while Mutawa praised the Central Bank sponsored difficult loans settlement scheme, but said that there are some points that still require more attention.

Mutawa added that the Central Bank, officiated by the government to implement the scheme, should pay more attention to increasing the value of debtors' assets. He emphasised that without improving the value of the assets, the scheme won't succeed.

Advocate Jassem began by discussing the legislations that accompanied the Manakh crash of 1982, adding that the difficult loans crisis was a result of the Manakh crash. He said that the main merit of the difficult loans settlement scheme was its ambiguity. He added that many debtors hurried to enter into the scheme without really understanding it clearly.

Jassem said that the Central Bank used threats and the "stick policy" against the commercial banks and debtors, which created a wave of fear among them. He stressed that the scheme did not adopt the principle of justice and balance through its conditions.

The use of public money to solve the crisis will lead to pumping huge funds in the pockets of individuals, not exceeding 1,400 persons. Thus, Jassem said, public money will be used to serve some individuals, mixing this concept with the concept of public interests. He said that any legislation must come only after a neutral and accurate study, particularly when it deals with important issues like the Man-

akh crisis and difficult loans. The Manakh crash "exhausted" Kuwaiti society psychologically more than financially, he said and added that the crash did not come suddenly as there were clear indications. Delayed reaction showed only how weak government departments were to face urgent crisis. He said that this has doubled the price to be paid by the state.

**Support**  
Faisal Al Zamel on his part supported his call with statistics. He said that according to the official figures by the Ministry of Finance the number of debtors involved 49,000, 45,000 of them have debts less than KD20,000, comprising 91% of the total debtors and their total debts are less than KD110 million. He added that the remaining 9% are indebted by as much as KD 4,327 million. This means, that 9% of the debtors have debts that are 40 times more the others 91%. He added that until now, 1,200 debtors have entered the settlement scheme and the value of debts that has been settled is KD 1,689 million.

**Grant**  
Zamel said that he is not against the use of public money in a public cause, but the case here does not seem to be public. Citing examples for the use of public money, Zamel said that the recent Amiri grant on the National Day in February benefitted 200,000 employees and retired persons and the amount used was less than KD 40 million.

If this grant is given annually for 10 years, we will require only KD400 million, while the amount of difficult loans is KD 1,689 million, (four times more) but only 1,200 persons are involved for a period of 10 years, which is the period of the scheme.

He said that the total amount of the loans provided by the Credit and Savings Bank, providing loans to Kuwaitis for housing and marriage, since its establishment in 1962 was KD1,250 million only, still less than the amount required by the scheme.

## GCC information resolutions to be fully applied

### Emphasis on media contact

KUWAIT, June 2, (KUNA): Kuwaiti Information Minister Sheikh Jaber Al Mubarak Al Hamad Al Sabah in an arrival statement, after participating in the 4th meetings of the GCC Information Ministers, in Manama said that the resolution adopted by the meetings will soon be implemented as they reflect the ambitions and aspirations of the leaders of the six GCC states.

The Kuwaiti information minister expressed gratitude and appreciation to the State of Bahrain and its people, his

Bahraini counterpart Tariq Al Mout'ayed, GCC Secretary General Abdullah Bishara and the secretariat for exerting fruitful efforts towards convening the meetings.

The Kuwaiti minister indicated that the meetings centred on mutual co-operation in the fields of broadcasting and TV. The conferees also reviewed ways to co-operate between the GCC information apparatuses and to increase the yield of development planning, as desired by the GCC leaders.

Sheikh Jaber further added that they also discussed means of organising internal fairs to exhibit regional culture, heritage and achievements.

The Kuwaiti official underlined that the GCC ministers took note of the recommendations of chief editors of the Arab Gulf dailies, indicating that the conference put emphasis on the need to encourage contacts between the institutions of the Arab Gulf media, and exchange of visits to achieve professional

progress. Sheikh Jaber further said that the meetings also concentrated on the importance of co-operation and co-ordination with the local press and to lend it support to enable it to mirror GCC interests and clarify the group's position on issues of the region.

Concluding, Sheikh Jaber said that the GCC information ministers also considered the significance of the development in journalism and the need to equip

information institutions with the latest means to cope with the advancements in the field.

Sheikh Jaber and the accompanying delegation were received on arrival by Information Undersecretary Hamad Al Roumi, Deputy Undersecretary for Financial Affairs Yaqoub Al Awadi, Board Chairman and Director General of Kuwait News Agency Barges Hmoud Al Barges and a number of ministry officials.

### Better protection for consumers

## Discount dispute disrupts sales

AT THIS time every year, sales are carried out by various shops in Kuwait, but not too many shops participated in the sales season this year because of a dispute with the Ministry of Commerce and Industry over discount and profit rates. Sales this year started from May 11 and lasted until May 30, but only ten shops and companies were officially permitted by the Ministry of Commerce and Industry, despite the fact that more than 115 shops and companies were granted permits last year.

A local daily interviewed a number of sales managers and merchants to highlight their opinions on the ministry decisions concerning sales permits. The same local daily also interviewed the head of sales section at the Ministry of Commerce and Industry to seek an official view on the issue.

**Not genuine**  
Sales managers and merchants stressed that co-operation between shop owners and the Ministry of Commerce and Industry is important. They added that there is no relation between the limited number of shops going on sales and the number of customers.

On the other hand, customers pointed out that sales are not a genuine operation. They said that this year the sales season had no effective price discounts particularly in the electrical appliances sector.

Ahmad Etifah, a salesman at one of the electrical appliances shops said that there is no difference between discounting and sales. He pointed out that the prices of some commodities were lowered more than discounts offered by the sales seasons in previous years. He added that customers fully realise the fact that there are no real sales this year, but small number of customers who may be unfamiliar with prices may be deceived by discounts offered by some shops without having any knowledge of previous prices.

Khaled Abdul Razzaq, one of the customers who showed great knowledge of market prices said that there is no true sales this season, and added that prices have increased compared with last year.

He pointed out that most people prefer to wait for a good sales season to get better deals on different commodities.

Abdul Razzaq Al Najjar, a

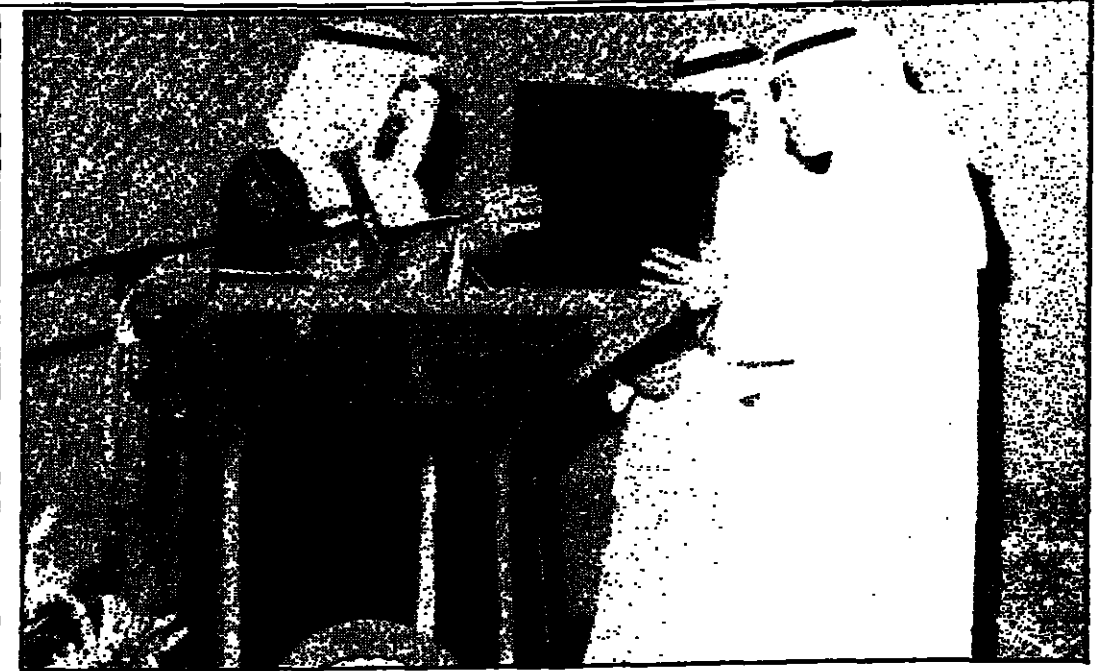
cloth salesman at one of the commercial companies said that his company was not able to enter the sales season this year due to the fact that they have already participated in sales twice this year and therefore were not able to get a ministry permit for another sale.

### Restrictions

The head of the Sales Section at the Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Mohammed Falah said that the ministry had imposed restrictions in previous sales seasons, but some merchants took the chance to provide the ministry with lists of fraudulent prices for their commodities.

The new ministry decision provides customers with better protection and organises the sales operation in a limited fashion without stopping sales.

The ministry will use legal measures against violators. He stressed that the censorship staff at the ministry consists of ten external centres. He pointed out that the ministry also recruits a large number of inspectors to follow up the sales operation each year.



**Consultant honoured**

AHMADI Governor, Sheikh Ali Sabah Al Salem Al Sabah held a dinner in honour of the Interior Ministry consultant Brigadier Naser Al Bader Wednesday. The dinner was attended by officials of the security, education and labour departments of the Ahmadi Governorate.

### Hospital clerk attacked

AN employee at the Casualties Department at Mubarak Al Kabser Hospital was attacked recently by a man and his friends, according to a local daily.

The employee sustained head injuries which needed nine stitches. He is recovering at ward No. 10 in the hospital.

Meanwhile, the daily learnt that the perpetrator was with his wife in the hospital and had an altercation with the victim at the casualty department, which resulted in the employee rejecting the completion of formalities.

The attacker identified as Fahed left the hospital and after sometime returned along with some of his friends and assaulted the employee.

## Judicial institute idea welcomed

KUWAIT, June 2, (KUNA): Head of the country's Higher Judicial Council, Mohammed Yousef Al Rifae, has welcomed in a statement yesterday the idea of establishing a judicial institute in Kuwait.

Rifae told a local daily that many Arab and Islamic countries have already opened judicial institutes and Kuwait should follow suit.

He added that new prosecutors should receive job training before assuming duty as this would enhance work productivity.

Rifae pointed out that consultations are under way between the Ministry of Justice and the barristers association to finalise a national bar law.

In a related development, the official was quoted as saying that there is no delay on the part of judges in trying cases and attributed the delay to non-compliance with regulations and procedures by plaintiffs and defendants.

Rifae said that members of the Higher Judiciary Council comprise the Chairman of the Higher Appeal Court and the membership of the Vice-Chairman of the Higher Appeal Court, the Attorney General, the Undersecretary of the Ministry of Justice and the Chairman of the Court of First Instance.

## UASC renews joint service from Europe

UNITED Arab Shipping Company, the national flag carrier of the Arabian Gulf states of Kuwait, Bahrain, Saudi Arabia, Qatar, Iraq and United Arab Emirates announced that the "Joint Container Service" (JCS) Agreement is now renewed with effect from June 1, 1989 to operate jointly from United Kingdom, "Northern Europe and Mediterranean ports to Red Sea and Arabian Gulf. The other members of the agreement are P+OCL, Cunard-Elleman, NCHP, Nedlloyd and Hapag-Lloyd.

In the new agreement UASC will provide 4 vessels out of total 6, each with a capacity of 1,800 TEUs.

This is the only regular service from Europe to this region calling major European ports and Middle East ports directly, with a frequency of one sailing every 8-12 days which ensures a top quality operation. The member lines will be able to provide reefer as well as dry cargo space with provision for special equipments to their clients as per this agreement. As per the agreed schedule the transit time to Dubai and Kuwait will be 20 and 22 days respectively.

UASC are pleased with the renewal of this agreement which assists them in meeting their commitment to serve the Arabian Gulf region in the best manner possible.

### Press area afforestation

KUWAIT, June 2, (KUNA): Board chairman of the Public Authority for Agriculture Affairs and Fish Resources Sheikh Ibrahim Al Duaij has affirmed that the authority intends to carry out greening and afforestation works at areas alongside the Al Sahafah airport roads.

Sheikh Ibrahim told the Chairman of Kuwait Journalists Association Ahmed Behbehani that preparations are under way to implement greening of the area after completion of studies and necessary contacts with other departments concerned.

The reassurance by Sheikh Ibrahim came in response to a message sent to him by Behbehani on the eve of the afforestation and greening week late last year.

### KAC plane delayed by hoax call

A HOAX telephone call delayed take off of a Kuwaiti plane for two hours at Madrid Airport last Tuesday, a local daily reported.

Authorities received a telephone call from a man alleging that there was a bomb on board the Kuwait jet Boeing 747, the daily said. It added that the man had expressed readiness to guide the police to the location of bomb against a sum of US\$50,000.

**Evacuated**  
Passengers in the plane were immediately evacuated and the jet thoroughly searched but no bomb was found.

Meanwhile, the security apparatus at Madrid airport was monitoring the telecommunication at the airport and apprehended the perpetrator who was identified as a Tunisian citizen. The alleged suspect told the police that he made this fallacious report for financial gain.

## Teachers should be respected: Roumi

THE director of cultural relations at the Education Ministry Salem Al Roumi has called for stringent penalties against pupils who attack their teachers.

He said in an interview with the internal magazine of the Kuwait Teachers Society - 'Muallem' - that teachers should be accorded respect in keeping with their professional status. He added that one of the reasons that do not encourage Kuwaiti graduates are not inclined to work as teaching staff is the social status of teacher in Kuwait society besides the desire to work in administrative or

commercial jobs.

Teachers are poorly paid, despite the high living costs. This obliges teachers to offer private lessons or find other part-time employment which sometimes are not suitable to their social status. He added that wages of teachers should be reconsidered.

The local media specially the television does not portray the true value and importance of the teaching profession and is in a sense responsible for the actions of students who attack teachers.

Meanwhile, the director of Farwaniya Educational Area Ibrahim Abal Khalil has expected

that results of the final exams of the Secondary School Certificate this year will be better than results of last year. Headed that officials of the ministry noticed a positive change in the exams this year specially discipline and reduction in cases of cheating. He added that all wooden classrooms in Farwaniya area schools will disappear from the beginning of the new scholastic year. The area will get rid of 170 of these classrooms after building new classrooms in some schools. He added that several new schools will be opened in the new academic year in the area.

## Haj quota fixed, says Saudi envoy

KUWAIT, June 2, (KUNA): Saudi Ambassador to Kuwait Abdullah Al Sidiri yesterday affirmed that there is no change in the fixed number of pilgrims for the next haj season.

### Violations

The Saudi diplomat in a statement to a local daily said that the decision of outlining the percentage of pilgrims came according to the Islamic states' foreign ministers conference, held in Amman last year.

He added that no changes regarding that issue

would be made before current expansion of the two holy shrines is finished.

Meanwhile the follow-up committee for Haj Affairs at the Ministry of Awkaf and Islamic Affairs has said that 45 of the total Kuwaiti haj caravans in Medina and Makkah violated ministry regulations.

A report submitted by the committee certified that 15 other Kuwaiti haj caravans complied with ministry regulations.

Official ministry sources say that the ministry will not hesitate to cancel any caravan licences of owners who fail to meet standard haj regulations.

## Afro-Arab conference scheduled

KUWAIT, June 2, (KUNA): The 10th session of the Permanent Ministerial Committee for Afro-Arab Co-operation will meet in Kuwait during June 19-20, an authoritative source at the Foreign Ministry said yesterday.

The source told KUNA that the session will discuss ways of boosting relations between African and Arab countries.

The Arab side to the meetings will be represented by Kuwait, Jordan, UAE, Algeria, Saudi Arabia, Syria, Somalia, Iraq, Palestine, Lebanon, Libya and Mauritania while the African side will be represented by Angola, Congo, Ghana, Guinea, Mauritius, Mozambique, Sierra Leone, Swaziland, Tanzania, Burkina Faso and Tunisia.

The committee, also known as the committee of 24, was emanated from the first Afro-Arab summit conference, held in Cairo in 1977, which set a working programme for Afro-Arab political, economic, commercial and cultural co-operation.

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## Action Line

THE residence permit of my daughter, aged 9, expires in October, 1989. She is presently studying in Kuwait. In June, 1989, she will go to India to enrol at a boarding school.

1. What is the procedure to renew the residence permit before departure for studies overseas?
2. If I cannot renew the visa before her departure, what is the procedure to get a re-entry visa for my daughter during her vacations?
3. Does the six months overstay rule nullify a visa apply to students?

Ans: Chandra Sud

NORMALLY, a visa can be renewed only a month before it expires. That means, that you can submit a renewal application in September 1989 to renew your daughter's visa. However, as she is going away in June, you can try for a "premature" renewal. For this, you'll have to contact the Department of Immigration. Please submit a copy of a document saying your daughter has been enrolled in a school in India and she will be studying there; a copy of the present school report and a transfer certificate from her school; the father's passport with a valid residence; a photocopy of the Civil ID card; and an application form, obtainable from the Department of Immigration, in Hawaii, Shauwalik or Fakhad. These documents are also needed to get a permission to stay outside the country for more than six months. Whether or not you get a permission depends on the discretion of the Department of Immigration.

The answer to your first question also covers the reply to your second question. If she is coming from India, in addition to the above, you'll have to provide documentary evidence that your daughter is studying in a boarding school in India. Such documents must be attested by the school; by the Foreign Ministry and by the Kuwait Embassy.

Article 12 of the Expatriates Law, 1959, and its amendments, stipulates that anyone staying outside Kuwait for more than six months forfeits the right to re-enter the country. Article 31 of an Interior Ministry decision, No. 640, clearly states that any person, including students, give up the right to re-enter Kuwait if they overstay for a period exceeding six months.

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I CAME to Kuwait in January 1983 and my wife joined me as a dependent in May 1983. In January, she got a job in an establishment. Her dependent visa was changed to visa No. 18.

Now, if she wishes to resign, can she go back to dependent status without having to return to my country of origin?

I qualify, under the salary limits, to sponsor my wife.

N. Swamy

IN principle, she can revert to dependent status. But she will have to go back to her country of origin and come on the new dependent visa, obtained by you. A transfer cannot be done locally.

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SOME time ago, I read in the English newspapers that university students who would be spending their summer vacations in Kuwait would be allowed to take part-time jobs during their vacations. I also read that the ministry had reserved/allocated around 1,000 or more leave vacancy jobs for these students.

- Please clarify:
- 1) Whether this facility is granted only to Kuwaiti students
  - 2) I am a 17 year old student studying my A-level at one of the English schools here. Since I will be spending my summer holidays in Kuwait, can I too take up a job during these summer vacations?
  - 3) Can any company employ me temporarily without the employer suffering any repercussions since I hold a student visa. I will be going for further studies at the end of my A-levels.
  - 4) If I can work for these three months, could you please tell me what documents/certificates/attestations will be required to show the concerned authorities in case of necessity?

P. Pinto

THE allocation of 1,000 summer jobs for students is granted only to Kuwaiti students. For other knowledge, anyone on a visa No. 22 cannot take up a job, full time or temporarily. People on dependent visas are known to take jobs, but if such defaulters are caught, the authorities can take action against them.

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WE would like to know why the Ministry of Health does not accept midwife applicants to work at hospitals. Midwives undergo board examinations and are trained; they have as much experience as hospital staff and can work with nurses as well.

A. Midwife

ASSISTANT Administrator of the Nursing Health Department Leila Akbar has said that the Ministry of Health stopped accepting applications from midwives 10 years ago. However, a midwife's diploma is taken into consideration if she has a three-year diploma in nursing with the additional qualification of a nine month or 12 months course in midwifery. Such applicants must have a minimum of two years experience

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I AM a Filipino. Before coming to Kuwait, I worked in Saudi Arabia as an administrative staff. My sister got me a visa to work in Kuwait as a secretary in a private firm. I arrived in Kuwait on March 15, 1980. I paid my airfare and also paid for my visa.

I would like to know if (a) I am covered by the new law? (b) Am I considered locally hired? (c) Can I transfer my visa?

A friend in Saudi Arabia wants to get a job in Kuwait. The personnel manager of a company wants to interview him. How can I get a visit visa?

Rodel

YOU are covered by the new labour rules. In fact, all expatriate employees, except domestics (those holding visa no. 20), are covered by the law. Did you come on the sponsorship of your employer? If you did, you are considered "recruited" overseas. If you came on a sponsorship other than that of your employer, and then joined the company in Kuwait, then you were hired locally. If you have not been in the present employment since your arrival in 1980, then you can't seek a transfer as you've been in Kuwait for under 10 years.

You can apply for a visit visa for your friend in Saudi Arabia. Granting of a visa is subject to the discretion of the Immigration Department. You will have to submit three photographs of your friend and a copy of his passport along with a sponsor's salary certificate, passport, and a photocopy of the Civil ID card, along with an application form duly filled, to the Immigration Department.

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I RECENTLY got a visa for my wife. Her name on the passport is Sheela Reghu Nair. Her name on the visa, issued to me, is Sheela Reghu Nair Reghu Karumakan Nair. I would like to know if this will cause any trouble on arrival.

R.K. Nair

TO our knowledge, this is not a problem. It is customary to include the name of a woman's father or husband on a visa, and normally, this does not cause any difficulty.

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I'M a housemaid. I was employed with one family from August 1986 to October 1987. On Oct 15, 1987, my employer sent me to a new employer of his own free will. I don't know what my legal status is with my present employer. They don't have my passport or Civil ID card, as these were not handed over to them. I was transferred to my present employer in "good faith." I was recently ill and my employer could not take me to the doctor because they didn't have my papers. How can I clarify my position? I don't want to get into any trouble.

Manila

IT is not a legal problem. You must talk, in a friendly manner, to both your present employer and the previous one, asking them about your documents. You can also ask if the previous employer still has your papers, and request him to give them to your present employer. Also find out if your visa is valid, and whether or not it has been renewed. If possible, seek advice from your embassy staff and request them to talk to your employers, so that they can sort out the matter.

If you have a problem, query or need clarification on any issue drop a line to: Action Line, Arab Times, P.O. Box 2270, 13023 Safat, Kuwait, or Fax your letter to Tel: 4847495.

## Urgent appeal to kidney donors: Musawi

400 patients in dire need

MEMBER of Kuwait Organs Transplant Society Dr Mustafa Al Musawi has revealed that 400 persons in Kuwait are currently suffering kidney failure and urgently need kidney donors. He appealed to all citizens and expatriates to respond to calls to donate organs for transplant, specially kidneys. He added that

a human being can survive and live a healthy life with one kidney.

## Donor cards

Musawi cited an Islamic Fatwa (opinion) allowing the contribution of some organs of the body. A ministerial decree was issued in 1983 allowing the

transplant of organs. He added that donation after death does not deform the body of the dead.

Musawi said that anyone who desires to donate one of his two kidneys during life or both after death can visit the premises of society or phone to fill a special card.

He revealed that about 500

persons filled donor cards till today. The donor should be over 21 years old and bring two witnesses, he said. He added that only three persons had contributed one of their kidneys till now. He added that in Western societies more than 90 per cent agree to donate their kidneys after death besides donating

heart, liver, eyes and other organs. He hoped that a communication network will be established among the Gulf states as in Europe to exchange body organs.

One of the patients Najah Nasrawi has a transplanted kidney from her living sister. The

surgery was performed in 1979.

Her sister Hanan who donated the kidney said that she is living a normal life with one kidney and did not face complications or problems. She added that she became pregnant only two months after donating a kidney to her sister and gave birth to a healthy girl.

## NEWS IN BRIEF

## Amiri cable

KUWAIT, June 2 (KUNA): HH the Amir has sent a cable of congratulations to the Italian president on occasion of his country's national day.

## Premier's cable

KUWAIT, June 2 (KUNA): HH the Crown Prince and Prime Minister Sheikh Saad Al Abdullah has sent a cable to Italian Premier Ciriaco de Mita congratulating him on Italy's national day.

## Struck off

KUWAIT, June 2 (KUNA): The Boycott of Israel Office here yesterday struck off from the black list the Cypriot vessel, Coral Cape, allowing it to call at Kuwaiti ports for loading, offloading operations.

The decision, effective forthwith, extends a blacklist against the US Diamond Shamrock Chemicals Company to apply to the company under its newly-acquired name of Occidental Electrochemicals Corporation.

## Trial postponed

THE Criminal Court has adjourned till June 6 hearing in a case involving a doctor charged with receiving a bribe of KDI,000 from a patient at the Maternity Hospital.

The court was told that the defendant had received a gold bracelet from the patient more than two months after her delivery. However, she claimed it back after a short while. But an envelope containing KDI,000 was placed on the doctor's table, at which time detectives of the criminal investigation arrested the defendant.

## Envoy for Cuba

UNITED NATIONS, June 2 (KUNA): Kuwaiti Ambassador Mohammad A. Abulhasan left this week for Cuba where he will spend one week to celebrate the 15th anniversary of the establishment of diplomatic relations between the two countries.

The Kuwaiti envoy, who was named to the additional post of ambassador to Cuba in the early eighties, plans to deliver a speech before Cuban radio and television.

Abulhasan will also open an exhibition of Kuwaiti-made traditional products.

## Civil Defence

KUWAIT, June 2 (KUNA): A graduation ceremony, under the patronage of Interior Minister Sheikh Salem Al Sabah, will take place Sunday at the Grand Ballroom of Kuwait Sheraton Hotel on the occasion of the graduation of the first batch of Civil Defence volunteers.

The ceremony will be attended by the Interior Ministry's Under-secretary General Yousef Badr Al Kharafi.

## WEATHER

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High water: 10.20 am, 11.45 pm  
Low water: 4.52 am, 6.05 pm  
Sunrise: 4.48 am  
Sunset: 6.44 pm  
Maximum temperatures recorded:  
Kuwait: 41°C (106°F)  
Ahmad: 38°C (100°F)  
Fahala: 39°C (102°F)  
Minimum temperatures recorded:  
Kuwait: 26°C (79°F)  
Ahmad: 29°C (84°F)  
Fahala: 29°C (84°F)  
Maximum temperatures expected:  
Kuwait: 43°C (109°F)  
Ahmad: 39°C (102°F)  
Fahala: 40°C (104°F)  
Maximum humidity recorded:  
Kuwait: 14 per cent  
Ahmad: 37 per cent  
Fahala: 43 per cent



Auction at fish market

Fishermen display their catch in anticipation of the auction that is held every afternoon at the fish market on Arabian Gulf street.

## Firdous miscreants set cars ablaze

UNKNOWN miscreants set fire to a number of cars parked in front of houses and even in front of the police station at Firdous area after stealing their contents during the last few days, according to a local daily. The gang stole contents of a tent and then set it on fire in the same area. They also broke the windows of the police station.

Citizens in the area have called on relevant authorities to protect them from such hostile actions by running regular patrols and to issue a decision banning traffic after midnight in the area. One of the citizens Ghunaim Al Adwani

has said that the gang set fire to two of his cars after midnight. The two cars were parked in front of the house and they were completely damaged and burnt. The fire extended to the house and the garage of the house was damaged.

He added that his house is only a few metres from the police station. There is not a single patrol running in Firdous area during the night and the police station there has no role in protecting the property of citizens.

Ghunaim called for an investigation of security men who do not perform their duties.

Another citizen Fandi Al

Mutairi has said that such painful incidents are not new in the area. He added that five years ago more than 25 cars had their contents stolen and were damaged in the same area. He called on the governor of Farwaniya to issue a decision to ban traffic after midnight in the area as in some other housing areas.

Ubaid Al Adwani has said that all incidents were reported in the area opposite to the police station and in the same block of the police station. He added that window panes of the police station were also broken and damaged by the miscreants.

## Unemployment in Gulf rising

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companies keeping the foreign labour as long as they also employ the Bahrainis," Zayani said.

The economies of Gulf Arab states were hard hit by flagging oil prices in 1986 and 1987 but have since begun to recover.

Only one third of Bahrain's population is foreign, compared with two thirds in neighbouring Kuwait, Qatar and the United Arab Emirates. But the other states face similar problems.

In Saudi Arabia, expatriates also form one third of the 13 million-strong population and foreign workers hold at least 90 per cent of the jobs in the kingdom's private sector.

An official report published in a Saudi daily last October said the number of "job-seekers" within the kingdom had risen 13 per cent in 1987 from the previous year. It gave no figures.

Officials say the kingdom's next five-year plan — due to begin when the Islamic Hijra year 1410 starts in August — will stress manpower development and the part private firms can play.

At a huge investment conference which ended in the port

of Jeddah on Wednesday, Prince Majed, Governor of the Makkah province, urged Saudi businessmen to hire more nationals.

"The government is trying to encourage private firms to employ more Saudis but many don't want to as this means they would have to pay two or three times the salary and won't get the same hours out of them," said Riyadh-based diplomat said.

"Another problem is the Saudis all want jobs in administration or management and there are only so many of these available in the economy."

The diplomat said that the Saudi government was the largest single employer of nationals. Less than two per cent of privately employed workers in Kuwait, Qatar and the UAE are nationals. In Bahrain, officials put the total at 25 per cent.

Kuwait says it spends an average of KDI,500 (\$5,100) a year on subsidies to each foreigner in the country and is considering ways of transferring some of the cost to their employers.

UAE authorities have recently announced plans to put its nationals in all 50,000 government jobs — one fifth of which are now held by its citizens — in order to assimilate local school

graduates.

Most GCC states have made sweeping progress in putting their citizens in state-run industries, but have made little headway in convincing private firms to follow suit.

Economists say this is partly because more people need to be trained in manufacturing, technical and industrial skills.

Gulf universities could provide the long-term requirements for business and professional people but were not meeting current manpower needs or facing the challenge of making low-collar jobs more socially acceptable, they add.

"The most important thing which makes this region different from others is that you don't have to create employment opportunities — they are there, but are filled by expatriates," Gulf International Bank economist Henry Azzam said.

"What is needed is proper training and the scaling down of wage aspirations," he said. But officials and diplomats say the tide is turning.

"There is no question that attitudes are changing — many young Saudis have accepted posts their older brothers wouldn't have dreamed of doing," the Riyadh-based diplomat said.

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One of the cars that was burnt after its contents were stolen.

## From the courts

## Life sentence for quadruple murder

KUWAIT'S Criminal Court sentenced an Iranian national identified as Amanullah to life imprisonment on a charge of murder.

The court was told that the accused worked as a photographer and on the day of the incident had returned to his house at Farwaniyah area to collect some films for his studio. He noticed a stranger leaving his house. He pursued the man, but was unsuccessful as the man drove away at high speed in his car.

In his confession, the accused said that he returned home in a state of fury. He brought a chopper from his kitchen and killed his wife. His three children who rushed to protect their mother also became his victims. In a bid to hide the crime, he set the house on fire.

The court based its judgement on ruling the crime as not being premeditated.

## Two years for hashish smuggling

THE Criminal Court sentenced a Gulf businessman to two years imprisonment with hard labour and a fine of KDI,000. But the court agreed to suspend implementation of sentence for three years against payment of KDI,000 as bail and a pledge of good conduct valid for three years.

The court was told that in the process of boarding a KAC flight from Cairo to Kuwait, the woman was searched by an air hostess and was found to be concealing about half a kilogramme of hashish in her dress. Upon her arrival she was arrested.

In court the woman denied the smuggling charge and said she had brought the hashish only for her personal use and not for trade. The woman also pleaded with the court to consider that she was a divorcee and had a one-year-old son who needed her personal attention.

Taking this mitigating circumstances into consideration, the court agreed to a suspended sentence.

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"There has been disenchantment after independence with governments that promised food and better welfare and then... oppressed the people they governed," he said.

"More people are educated, which makes them more involved in politics," he added.

Ghanim Al Najjar, a professor of political science at Kuwait University who has been spearheading a local recruitment drive, said Kuwaiti membership now stood at about 120.

He said the organisation had received de facto recognition from the Kuwaiti government.

Membership in the region had grown sharply in the last two years, Najjar said.

Othmani said amnesty had chosen Kuwait as a target for a membership drive because of its history of trade unions and independent associations.



Thomas Cook seminar

Representatives from Thomas Cook Middle East, India, Latin America and the United Kingdom met for three days in Bahrain to review performance to date and to develop strategy in these various world markets for the future. Seated from left to right are: Nick Cunneen, general manager, Africa based in Cairo; Lis Laxton, manager, Human Resources based in UK; Ian Grant, general manager, Latin America based in Brazil; Sheila Lowe, assistant to general manager based in India; Colin Pettit, general manager, Middle East and India; and Nigel Hards, director International Markets.



## ARAB TIMES

Thought for today

A PROPHET is not without honour, save in his own country, and in his own house — *The Bible*.

# Beauty contest bares problems for Sandinistas

By J.D. Gannon

A SMALL-scale, yet fierce, polemic has recently broken out in the ranks of Nicaragua's ruling Sandinista Front. And the argument has nothing to do with elections, political reforms, the economy, or even the United States.

Rather the topic is beauty contests.

And the question is: Why is the revolutionary Sandinista Youth Front sponsoring and supporting them? A number of pages — such as "Miss Intercontinental" and "Miss Summer" — have been held here recently, and are proving popular among younger Nicaraguans. But to some of the pre-insurrection generation, beauty contests are a symbol of the moral bankruptcy of the ousted Somoza regime and a vulgar expression of sexism.

On the surface, the arguments seem to be drawn along feminist lines, pitting the machistas against the feminists, both men and women who denounce such a high-profile arm of the revolution being associated with a "beauty cattle call," as one opponent terms it.

But beneath, lies another conflict — one of the oldest in the world: the generation gap. In revolutionary Nicaragua, however, it's more of a generation gap in reverse. For it is part of the older Sandinista generation that is in a ditch over the conservative tendencies of the younger generation. The older revolutionaries worry that the youth are not rebelliously independent enough.

Roger Sanchez, editor of the irreverent weekly *Semana Comica*, is one of those who worries about the direction of young Nicaraguans.

"It's a question of sexism and political consciousness," he says. "If the bourgeoisie are having beauty pageants, the youth should be having intelligence contests.... They should look at such an alternative as part of their political project, part of the ideological struggle here."

The political consciousness of many members of the pre-insurrection generation was forged by the rigors of a life underground, where debates on equality and morality are as common as debates on politics and guerrilla tactics. Many of these Sandinistas find the privileges of the youth especially frustrating.

But a European ambassador here says this is an overreaction. "They're just young people," the ambassador says. "There is so little else for them to do here, how could anyone deny them that?"

The debate nabbed public interest when an unsigned editorial by a Sandinista member appeared in the official newspaper, *Barricada*, April 14 at the start of the Sandinista Youth National Assembly. Referring to the beauty contests, it chastised the Sandinista Youth for "trying to project as 'new' and acceptable" that which the youth before discarded as "old."

The following day, however, the paper issued a "clarification"

saying the editorial did not represent its views nor the views of the National Directorate of the Sandinista Front. And the later attendance of two Sandinista officials at the "Miss Intercontinental" contest only added confusion to the debate here.

(The winner of that contest, 14-year-old Elizabeth Guerrero, received a three-month stay at the Hotel Intercontinental in Medellin, Colombia — home of the world's largest cocaine-trafficking cartel)

The Sandinista Youth Front declined an interview request after several phone calls. But a visit to the University of Central America here elicited opinions on both sides of the debate.

One young woman, who gave her name as Bianca, decried the whole idea. "The Youth (group) is just copying what the bourgeoisie did during Somoza. There is no such thing as 'our' pageants and 'their' pageants." But another piped up that she liked the contests. "I didn't go, but I wish I was pretty enough to be in one," said Ana Margarita Gonzalez. "If that is what young people want, then the (Sandinista) Youth should give it to them."

"Part of the problem" explains a Sandinista maverick (the individual who wrote the *Barricada* editorial), "is that the Front has failed to deepen the political thinking of the youth.... We make good combatants, patriots, anti-imperialists. But beyond that, the youth lack a deeper political consciousness."

The result, she says, is a youth group that faithfully follows the party line to the detriment of innovative thinking or introspection.

Editor Sanchez bemoans the lack of youth-directed counter-culture here. Nicaraguans are surrendering to the party line, he says. "The Youth should be in front of the commandantes (who run Nicaragua) in their thinking. But these youth are standing in their shadows...."

This view touches on fundamental questions for this highly politicized country: When the revolutionary party demands complete discipline (as the Sandinista Front does), what happens to the previously touted role of youth to rebel against the establishment and be creative? Should there be a counter-culture, and who should spearhead it?

That the Youth Front could sponsor a beauty contest and be unaware of, or unconcerned with, the political contradictions is a worrisome harbinger, several Sandinistas say.

Another example of a fuzzy-headed younger thinking, some Sandinistas say, is evidenced by the recently elected directorate of the Sandinista Youth Front: It is made up entirely of young men in an organization where women make up 35 per cent of the membership.

"They do this and no one says anything? There was no protest by the girls!" one Sandinista exclaims. "This never could have happened with us," before the revolution.

1989, *The Christian Science Monitor*.

## TODAY IN HISTORY

- 1621 — Dutch West India Company receives charter for New Netherlands — now New York.
- 1647 — Oliver Cromwell flees from parliament to the Army in England.
- 1818 — Bajo Rio, Peshwa of Poona in India, and his dominions come under British control in Bombay presidency.
- 1896 — Treaty is signed in Moscow whereby China and Russia form defensive alliance for 15 years, and China grants Russia right to operate railway in Northern Manchuria.
- 1917 — Albanian independence under Italian protection is proclaimed.
- 1937 — Britain's Duke of Windsor marries Mrs Wallis Simpson of United States in France.
- 1940 — Allied evacuation from France is completed in World War II.
- 1942 — Japanese planes raid Dutch harbour, Alaska, in World War II.
- 1946 — South African Asiatic land tenure and Indian representation bill is passed.
- 1959 — Singapore becomes self-governing.
- 1966 — Peking's mayor Peng Chang, major political figure in China, is removed from office.
- 1973 — Soviet supersonic airliner crashes during international air show near Paris, killing the six crewmen and seven French villagers.
- 1976 — Bolivia's former President Juan Jose Torres is found murdered in Argentina.
- 1984 — Punjab comes under virtual martial law as Army troops seal off India's troubled state and prepare to flush out Sikh terrorists.
- 1987 — Indian fishing boats carrying relief supplies to Jaffna peninsula are intercepted by Sri Lanka Navy and turn back.

Uno expected to cut a colourful figure in office

# New leadership in Japan ...



Japanese Prime Minister Sousei Uno.

By Janet Snyder

SOUSUKE UNO, who succeeded Noboru Takeshita as prime minister, is likely to bring a splash of colour to Japanese diplomacy, colleagues say.

Untainted by the nation's biggest political scandal, Uno is a loner by clannish Japanese standards and is known for his literary turn of phrase.

A lack of personal supporters made him attractive to ruling Liberal Democratic Party (LDP) elders, said a close aide to former prime minister Yasuhiro Nakasone.

"He does not pose a threat to them," the aide said.

Uno, 66, seemed taken back by the announcement on Saturday that he was the favourite choice as Japan's next premier.

"He has strong ambition but he was realistic enough to believe it wouldn't come to fruition this soon," said a close aide to the foreign ministry. "But all of a sudden this came to him. Think he's very surprised at how things happened."

Others were equally taken aback at the sudden rise in Uno's fortunes.

"I think it's a whim which came very suddenly into the brain of Takeshita," said a ministry official who knows Uno well. "It came down to the most available, most innocuous person."

Although he is safe, Uno is expected to cut a colourful figure in office, colleagues said. He is very intelligent and articulate, especially in meeting with foreign officials.

"Unlike most Japanese politicians, he talks and talks and talks," his ministry colleague said.

A lover of Japanese literature, Uno laces his speeches with

literary references, the official said.

Before deciding on Uno, Takeshita and ranking LDP members tried to persuade several candidates to take the premiership.

Takeshita on April 25 had announced he would resign over links to the Recruit shares-for-favours scandal, after the national budget passed through parliament.

The primary qualification for Takeshita's replacement was a clean record on Recruit. But after a month of calling, there were no takers. The job is seen widely as a temporary one to last until elections later this year, political analysts said.

"It was really a process of elimination that concluded with Uno," the Nakasone aide said. Uno, who belongs to Nakasone's faction, is nonetheless close to Takeshita, he noted.

Uno's vast experience, as foreign minister, minister international trade and industry, and defence agency director, are definite pluses in his background.

For all his erudition, it isn't clear what kind of premier Uno will be.

One Western diplomat said his government was quite happy with the prospect of a Uno administration, describing Uno as quite intelligent and an agreeable personality.

But another foreign ministry official said Uno did not have firm ideas of his own. "He's not a man of integrity," he said. "He's easily influenced by anyone in power."

Nakasone's aide said he doubted Uno would be a powerful prime minister. "To do that, you have to have many supporters in the party, which he doesn't," (Reuters — Tokyo).

# ... but party reluctant to change old ways

By Tetsuo Jimbo

JAPAN'S long-ruling Liberal Democratic Party appears reluctant to change its ways, even in the midst of an influence-peddling scandal that has shaken its foundations.

The Recruit scandal has led to the downfall of prime minister Noboru Takeshita and the indictment of a former cabinet member. It has ruined the political lives of dozens of the party's leaders, including another former prime minister Yasuhiro Nakasone.

Last Thursday, Nakasone, who once was considered the most popular premier ever, was summoned to parliament to testify under oath on his link to the scandal.

Parrying questions from opposition lawmakers, Nakasone acknowledged receiving about 45 million yen (\$320,000) from the company at the centre of the scandal, but insisted he is innocent and rejected shouted demands that he resign.

"I came forward today to apologise to the people," he said, describing his appearance in parliament as his "keijime," a traditional act of taking responsibility and "misogi," a Shinto ritual of purification.

With such bows of Japanese custom, the 70-year-old Nakasone hopes to put the legal phase of the scandal behind him and help his party get on with finding a new leader.

Many call the situation the worst crisis the Liberal Democrats, who despite their name have a conservative outlook have faced in their three decades of rule. But political insiders don't necessarily believe drastic action is required.

"I didn't get impression that most party members are taking the current political situation as critical," said legislator Toshio Yamaguchi, head of the party's parliament

affairs committee. "They talk about reforms but no one (in the party) appears to really want drastic changes."

The scandal masterminded by Recruit Co., an information conglomerate, is widely seen as highlighting the steady money link between politicians and business circles.

The affair involves huge donations to scores of influence politicians and bureaucrats by the ambitious founder of Recruit, Hiromasa Ezoe. Prosecutors say Ezoe allegedly sought influence and favours for his company with money and bargain-priced stocks.

Prosecutors have charged 13 people, including Takao Fujinami, a top deputy in Nakasone's administration, and Hisashi Shinto, a former chairman of Nippon Telegraph and Telephone Corp., with taking bribes from Recruit.

Takeshita, after acknowledging the receipt of more than 150 million yen (1.4 million dollars) from Recruit, was forced to resign as prime minister last month.

Takeshita left office and Sousei Uno has become prime minister.

An election for half the seats in the upper house of parliament is to be held within three months, and recent opinion polls showed that, for the first time, public support for the ruling party has fallen behind that of opposition parties.

Most senior party members, including Takeshita's two rivals, former finance minister Kiichi Miyazawa and party secretary-general Shintaro Abe, have been linked to the scandal and thus ruled out from assuming the immediate leadership.

Despite increasing pressure from Recruit-tainted party barons to retire from politics

and open the way for young and cleaner politicians, critics say the leaders still hope to maintain influence over the next administration from the sidelines. They then would come back and vie for the premiership after the Recruit fias comes down.

"The Recruit scandal was a serious blow for most senior LDP members, but those who aspire to climb to the top have already invested their fortunes to realise their ambition, and they won't give up their chance easily," said Koichi Kishimoto, a researcher at the government's National Diet Library and noted political critic.

The LDP adopted a reform plan that calls for tightening restrictions on fund-raising and disclosure for all legislators' assets. Critics say the plan reflects the party's unwillingness to pay the genuine cost of the scandal.

"It looks to me no more than just a gesture by the LDP to sham the public," said Rei Shiratori, a professor of political science at Tokai University. "The fact that the LDP is blaming the system for their corruption reflects the party's lack of seriousness about real reform."

Shiratori said existing legislation is more than sufficient to end corrupt politics if all regulatory institutions function properly.

"Blaming (the scandal) on the system is the LDP's common tactic to switch from the real culprit," he added. "Once the system is reformed, would we have clean politics? Unfortunately not."

Massaharu Gotoda, the chairman of the party's political reform committee, said the reform plan "calls for drastic changes in politics, but rebuilding politicians' own sense of ethics is indispensable to prevent the recurrence of corruption scandals." (AP — Tokyo)

# US Democrats in ethical quicksand

By Michael Posner

SHOCKED Democrats, who have lost five of the last six presidential elections, now find themselves further weakened by ethical problems in the US House of Representatives they have ruled for over 34 years.

From this base and the Democratic-led Senate, they had hoped to seize the initiative from the slow-starting President George Bush and build momentum to carry them back to the White House in the 1992 elections.

Now, these hopes have been set back at least temporarily by ethical misconduct investigations into their top ranks, sparking the impending resignation of House Speaker Jim Wright and announced departure of third-ranking Tony Coelho of California, the House Democratic whip.

Texan Wright, 66, highest ranking Democrat in the nation and second only to the vice-president in line to the White House, would become the first speaker in 200 years of congressional history to be forced out.

Democrats fear this quicksand of ethical problems could trap them nationally in the 1990 congressional elections.

"We have entered a new era of ethical McCarthyism," Thomas Downey, a New York House Democrat, said accusingly. "All you need say is there's a question here or imply something wrong, and it takes on a life of its own. It's guilt by innuendo."

House caucus chairman William Gray, a Pennsylvania Democrat, said on Sunday on US television Congress is being smeared by actions of a few. "What you've got to stop doing is smearing of hundreds of people by the actions of one or two."

Following the probe of Wright's financial affairs by the House Ethics Committee, the announcement by political savvy Coelho that he would quit next month struck like a bombshell.

Coelho said he did not want to put his family or Democrats through the ordeal of a House Ethics Committee investigation into a \$100,000 high-yield bond purchase, a deal being studied as well by the Justice Department.

Democrats said their first priority now is damage control, electing a new set of leaders. House majority leader Thomas Foley is expected to move up to Wright's post and former Democratic presidential aspirant Richard Gephardt of Missouri, considered by colleagues "an Eagle scout" of high integrity, is an early favourite for majority leader.

A race is expected for Coelho's job. But mid- and long-range goals of Democrats are to recoup from these ethical problems and concentrate on keeping control of Congress, then aim for the White House they have occupied for only four years since 1988.

Democratic national committee spokesman Mike McCurry said in an interview the Wright debacle would soon be forgotten. He predicted that once new leadership is elected, the public would turn to other matters.

McCurry pointed to the public travails of former Republican Senator John Tower, rejected by the Senate as Bush's first choice as defence secretary amid charges of heavy drinking and womanising.

Republicans also have their share of improprieties.

Last week, Ohio Republican Congressman Donald Lukens was convicted on charges of contributing to the delinquency of a minor, a 16-year-old girl with whom he allegedly had sexual relations.

And some Democrats are vowing privately to "get even" with Congressman Newt Gingrich of Georgia, the House Republican whip who spearheaded the investigation of Wright.

Gingrich, the target of an ethics investigation himself over a book he promoted, said on US television that nine or 10 other Democrats may face ethical probes.

But Congressman Dave Bonior, a Michigan Democrat, said on Sunday on US television, "I hope and I suspect that Mr Gingrich will get at least as fair treatment as others have received recently." (Reuters — Washington)



US public opinion verdict

# Pentagon must diet

By Peter Grier

THE United States public thinks the Pentagon needs to stay on its diet. As Congress begins its annual consideration of the defence budget, two major opinion polls say that a majority of Americans believes there should be no growth or substantial cuts in military spending for some time to come.

In one survey, taken by the Roosevelt Centre for American Policy Studies, fully three-quarters of those participating said that the Defence Department's budget should not grow at all for five years, or should be reduced by three per cent in each of the next three years.

Such findings indicate that support for the big military budgets of the Reagan buildup had been necessary, according to the Americans Talk Security polling project. New data compiled by the ATS find that only 46 per cent now believe the buildup was needed — and 48 per cent think it was unnecessary.

Perhaps because of the publicity surrounding the Justice Department's ill Wind investigation into defence procurement fraud, the public believes that much of the military money Congress approved in recent years might as well have been piled up in the Pentagon parking lot and burned.

Thirty per cent or more of the money spent on the armed forces under President Reagan was wasted on fraud, inefficiency, or weapons that don't work, says a majority of those polled in the latest ATS survey. But Americans traditionally have a low opinion of Washington's ability to handle money. In the same poll a majority agreed that there is no more waste in the Defence Department than there is in other federal agencies.

Nuclear weapons appear to be the area where the public would cut first. While Congress and the White House are engaged in an intricate debate over whether to buy mobile MX missiles, a new Midgetman intercontinental ballistic missile, or both, the public may not support any new long-range nuclear missiles at all.

In the ATS survey, a plurality of 32 per cent preferred the "neither" option over the mobile MX or the Midgetman.

The Roosevelt Centre found that a bare majority wanted to move away from a nuclear "triad" of air, land, and sea forces to a "dyad" of modernised nuclear warhead-carrying bombers and submarines.

After nuclear weapons, the next Defence Department area to cut would be US military bases abroad, according to ATS. Research on new weapons is third on the reduction list, followed by conventional weapons and military pensions.

Americans have long been somewhat ambivalent about their nation's role as policeman overseas; thus there is growing support for redefining the US role in the world, according to both surveys. 1988, *The Christian Science Monitor*.

First free elections since 1947

# Testing time for Polish communists

By Andrew Tarnowski

POLES are about to get a chance to test a theory many have held passionately since World War II — that the communists don't stand a chance in free elections.

Parliamentary elections this week give the 26 million voters a choice, for the first time since 1947, between the communists and opposition candidates who are being allowed to run for a limited number of seats.

After decades of authoritarian rule, economic mismanagement and periodic upheavals, opinion polls forecast trouble for the ruling party in the two rounds of voting on June 4 and 18.

The opposition hopes for 80 per cent success in the seats it can contest. It is running for the entire 100-seat Senate (upper house) and 35 per cent of the 460-member SEJM (Lower House).

But instead of making a fight of it, the Communist Party is virtually doing an electoral disappearing act.

"The striking thing is that the party is simply not visible in the elections," said Janusz Onyszkiewicz, spokesman of the Solidarity free trade union, who is running for the SEJM. "Its candidates seem shy of their party allegiance."

Senior communists are not mentioning the party on their campaign leaflets and posters.

Poliburo members like Interior Minister Czeslaw Kiszczak, Prime Minister Mieczyslaw Rakowski and Defence Minister Florian Siwicki appear on an uncontested "national list" of 35 prominent figures with no mention of their party affiliation.

They are identified only as "economist," "historian," or "soldier," as well as government ministers.

Janusz Kubasiewicz, head of the party's Warsaw branch, "identifies himself on pos-

ters only as 'a persistent, demanding, sensitive Warsaw citizen,' without mentioning the party."

Solidarity officials say communists are hiding their party membership as a handicap, particularly in the Senate race in which party and opposition candidates clash directly.

Some communist candidates privately concede this is true.

"If I admitted I was a party member I would just lose for sure," a central committee member running for the Senate told Reuters on condition of strict anonymity.

Other communist candidates, however, are angered by the party's weak response to the electoral challenge.

"I don't understand why most party people are hiding their allegiance," former Religious Affairs Minister Kazimierz Kakol told a group of aging supporters.

"I think the party is incapable of mounting a proper campaign," he said. "It is unable to discipline party people. Things are falling apart a bit."

Kakol, a hardliner, is one of only two candidates for senator in Warsaw who list themselves as communists although nearly 20 of the 3 candidates appear to be party members.

Stanislaw Kwiatkowski, a communist running for senator as head of a government opinion poll, says his polls show 12 per cent of the voters have so far decided to vote communist and 56 per cent for independent or opposition candidates.

Only a handful of communist senate candidates are running impressive campaigns. Others complain they have no party backing and no chance without the party machine behind them.

The contrast of campaigns is vivid. Hundreds or thousands attend Solidarity rallies while party meetings pull dozens.

The opposition's red-and-white logo is

splashed on posters across Poland but the red flag of communism and its hammer-and-sickle emblem are nowhere. The party's logo features in small print on a few posters.

Top show business stars are running for Solidarity, and popular actors, artists and singers present its candidates at rallies.

In contrast, a sextet of lady pensioners in matching flowery print dresses croaked out songs at a poorly-attended communist election fete near Warsaw.

Communist officials say the party is deliberately avoiding a Western-style contest and sees the elections as a series of personal beauty contests, not as a clash of political forces.

They say this respects an April 5 agreement with the opposition to hold "non-confrontational" elections.

"It is not that we are hiding our party allegiance. We are proud of it," says spokesman Jan Bisztyga. "Candidates are running on personal qualifications and not as representatives of party discipline. We think this idea is more democratic."

"They know they haven't got a chance as the party, only as personalities," retorts Jacek Moskwa, a Solidarity campaign press officer.

Officials accuse Solidarity of "brutal" tactics and "Neo-Stalinist" propaganda infringing the electoral pact that ensures the party and its allies 65 per cent of the SEJM seats.

They are angered by suggestions that voters should cross out the 35-member national list as undemocratic — excluding the party's top reformists and altering the balance in parliament.

Kakol was not concerned. "Don't worry," he told supporters.

"Even if they cross off party people the division of parliament was decided before the elections. Solidarity will not take power through such propaganda." (Reuters — Warsaw)



# BUSINESS & FINANCE

## Dollar down on US jobs data

LONDON, June 2, (Reuters): The dollar slipped slightly in Europe today because of signs the American economy is slowing down and uncertainty about how long US interest rates will remain high.

The US currency was standing around 1.9687 marks at midday but fell when Washington published data showing that US unemployment fell slightly to 5.2 per cent in May from 5.3 per cent in April.

The number of new jobs rose by only 101,000 in May, the slowest pace of job creation since March 1986 and a sign that the economy may be gradually slowing.

Dealers marked the dollar down on this interpretation, since it could lessen the need for high interest rates to stop the economy overheating.

Within an hour of the data, the Southwest Bank of St. Louis cut its prime interest rate, the rate it charges top customers, half a percentage point to 11 per cent.

The dollar went down further after this announcement to stand around 1.9645 marks in Europe's mid-afternoon, from an opening rate of 1.9740 and a close in London yesterday of 1.9835.

Major US banks said they had no immediate plans to match the St. Louis bank in cutting their prime lending rates.

The dollar's European dip was matched in New York trading, where economists said the employment figures showed the government was successfully containing inflation.

This could lead to an easing of interest rates by the Federal Reserve, the US central bank, they reasoned.

Western governments worry a stronger dollar will fuel inflation and make a correction to world trade imbalances even more elusive.

## Iraq's output capacity nearing 4.5m BPD

## Chalabi predicts increase in oil prices

BAGHDAD, June 2, (OPENCA): Iraqi Oil Minister Issam Abdul Raheem Al Chalabi has predicted a gradual and regular increase in the price of OPEC's oil in the long run as the result of expected higher demand and improvement in the world oil market.

Al Chalabi noted that non-OPEC producers had cut their production, while world energy demand was rising and prospects of finding oil alternatives were poor. In remarks published in the Iraqi daily "Al Qadisiyah" on the 17th anniversary of the Iraqi oil industry nationalisation being celebrated today, Al Chalabi said

that recent expansion of the country's oil fields would soon enable Iraq to have a production capacity of 4.5 million BPD.

Iraq's oil export capacity, he went on to say, would exceed five million BPD next year because of pipeline outlets on the Mediterranean through Turkey, on the Red Sea through the Saudi port of Yanbu and on the Gulf.

He added that Iraq could export 1.6 million BPD of crude oil through Turkey and 1.65 million BPD through Saudi Arabia when the second stage of the Iraqi pipeline was completed later this year.

He pointed out that Iraq had succeeded

in securing a just output quota of 2.64 million BPD within OPEC's overall production ceiling of 18.5 million BPD.

Meanwhile, another Iraqi daily "Al Jimhuriyah" reported today that the Iraqi Gulf oil terminal "Al Bakr," which had been repaired and set ready to resume oil exports, would have a designed export capacity of 19,000 tonnes of oil per hour.

"Iraq ... will become the second-ranking country in the Organisation of Petroleum Exporting Countries in terms of production capacity" after Saudi Arabia, he said.

Chalabi declined comment on whether Iraq will seek to raise its OPEC production

quota of 2.64 million barrels a day.

"We will announce our position at the conference hall in Vienna and not here," he said.

Chalabi said the meeting will discuss the possibility of a new quota share-out for the second half of the year as well as oil prices.

OPEC members are divided between those who favour boosting the current overall quota of 18.5 million barrels a day to around 20 million barrels to cash in on current high prices and those who believe that the organisation should raise its current benchmark price of \$18 a barrel to match current market levels.

## Cities return to normal

### Worst economic crisis

BUENOS AIRES, Argentina, June 2, (AP): Schools were expected to reopen today in the northern city of Rosario, after at least 14 people were killed nation-wide in food riots ignited by the worst economic crisis in recent memory.

Leaders of the opposition Workers' Party, meanwhile, denied government charges yesterday that they had been encouraging poor, hungry Argentines to look for food in grocery stores, butcher shops and food warehouses since Monday.

Jorge Altamira, the presidential candidate of the leftist Workers' Party, and five other party leaders were arrested yesterday, but formal charges against them were not disclosed by the government.

"We were in favour of better salaries, food, returning suspended and fired workers to their jobs, and ... a general strike," said Altamira, one of the losers in the May 14 presidential election. Peronist Party candidate Carlos Menem won the election.

The government allegations amount to "ideological persecution," Altamira contended.

In the capital and the northern city of Rosario, 14 people have died in the past four days, the Interior Ministry said yesterday evening in its first official tally. Preliminary reports from police

and hospitals had put the death toll at 16.

President Raul Alfonsín's government acknowledged after the looting began that poverty has widened in the last several months with skyrocketing prices and unemployment.

But government authorities claimed slum dwellers were encouraged to rise up by unidentified agitators. They also contended the agitators attacked police.

Federal judge Gerardo Larrañabe, presiding over a section of Buenos Aires where much of the unrest took place, ordered the arrest of the Workers' Party leaders and the search and closure of all their offices in the metropolitan area.

Officials doubled the minimum monthly wage to 8,700 australs, or about \$44, an restricted price increases planned for electricity and other public services.

"Things are returning to normal," declared Gov. Victor Reviglio of Santa Fe province yesterday evening.

But the austral continued to slide on the black market yesterday, trading at 230 to the US dollar, 24 per cent less than the rate of 175-to-1 set two days ago by the Central Bank. Foreign exchange houses have refused to sell dollars at the official price, which is much higher.

## G-10 gives boost to US debt plan

### Move to spur economic growth

BERNE, June 2, (Reuters): Major industrial nations gave broad backing today to a US plan to slash the Third World's \$1.3-trillion debt but they warned commercial bank lenders not to expect a bail-out by taxpayers.

Endorsement by the Group of 10 (G-10) was a welcome boost for US Treasury Secretary Nicholas Brady after strong criticism of Washington's trade and budget policies at the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) in Paris earlier this week.

Further support for Brady's controversial initiative, which aims to spur economic growth in developing countries by persuading banks to forgive part of their loans, is likely at a seven-nation economic summit in Paris next month.

"I think we've made a good start" with the debt plan, Italy's Deputy Central Bank Governor, Lamberto Dini told a news conference.

Some officials fear if debt reduction is not handled

properly taxpayers in rich countries will end up assuming the burden of debt instead of bankers. "Official creditors should not substitute for private lenders," the G-10 said bluntly.

Talks in political groupings like the G-10 and the OECD have smoothed the way for Brady plan, but it faces its first real test in negotiations now taking place in New York between Mexico and its bank creditors.

Progress has been slow with Mexico, the Third World's second biggest borrower, with external debts estimated at \$107 billion, demanding concessions that the banks have so far refused to make.

But Dini saw a good chance of an agreement before too long, and John Reed, chairman of Citibank, the biggest US bank, said in a French newspaper interview published today that a deal could be struck within the next two weeks.

Dini was the author of a report on the debt strategy that was approved here today by finance

ministers and central bank governors of G-10 countries.

The G-10 in fact comprises 11 countries. In addition to the powerful Group of Seven — the United States, Japan, West Germany, Britain, Canada, France and Italy — its members are Belgium, the Netherlands, Sweden and Switzerland.

### Efforts

The debt reduction envisaged by the Brady plan "could make an important contribution by reducing financing needs and the stock of debt to more manageable levels over time and provide a stimulus for stronger growth and sustained reform efforts," the G-10 ministers said in a communique.

The report admitted that earlier efforts had fallen short of expectations. "Seven years after the outbreak of the debt crisis, many debtor countries still face severe financing constraints and GDP growth remains generally insufficient to raise per capita incomes and improve living standards."

## Job growth falls to 3-year low

## US jobless rate dips

WASHINGTON, June 2, (AP): The US employment rate dipped to 5.2 per cent in May, but, in a sign of a slowing economy, job growth fell to its lowest level in more than three years, the government said today.

The civilian jobless rate, taken from the Labour Department's monthly household survey, fell from April's 5.3 per cent, in line with the expectations of analysts.

But non-farm payroll growth, taken from a separate survey of business establishments, was up by only 101,000, down from April's revised growth of 206,000 jobs. The May growth was the lowest month-to-month gain since 84,000 added payroll positions were reported in March 1986.

For the past three months, an average of only 160,000 jobs have been added to non-farm payrolls each month, down from the robust average monthly gain of 270,000 jobs reported in 1987 and 1988.

In other signs of an economic slowdown, the Labour Department said the average private-sector nonagricultural workweek fell 0.3 hours, to 34.6 hours. That decline was influenced by April figures that likely overestimated the work week because the survey did not take into account that Good Friday and the Easter holidays fell in March this year instead of April.

The average factory workweek also fell last month, slipping 0.2 hours to 41 hours while average overtime fell in equal amount to 3.8 hours, the Labour Department reported.

And in data that will be hailed by those looking for signs of easing inflation, average hourly wages inched up only 0.1 per cent in May following a 0.7 increase for April. Average weekly earnings fell from April's \$335.04 to \$332.51 on a seasonally adjusted basis.

Such projections have led analysts to predict the economy would show too much strength for the Federal Reserve to ease its tight rein on credit. But the sluggishness demonstrated by today's report likely will increase pressure on the Central Bank to relax monetary policy.

The service-producing industries again accounted for the overwhelming job growth, adding 134,000 jobs to help offset some of the declines in other economic sectors. But even that number was well down from a revised April gain of nearly 190,000 new service-producing jobs and well off the sector's 250,000 monthly average gain last year.

Goods-producing industries reported a net loss of 33,000 jobs, with mining down slightly and construction employment off by 14,000 positions. Manufacturing operations reported a loss of 18,000 jobs from April.

## US bank cuts prime rate

ST LOUIS, June 2, (Reuters): Southwest Bank of St. Louis, often seen as a bellwether in setting interest rates, said today it would cut its prime lending rate to 11.0 per cent from 11.5 per cent on Monday.

"The continuing deceleration in monetary growth, slowing economic activity and rising dollar all suggest the next move in interest rates should be downward," the bank said.

US banks last changed their prime rates on Feb. 24 when they raised them to 11.5 per cent from 11.0 per cent.

The money markets have been looking for signs that the Federal Reserve would ease its year-long hold on interest rates because of a

sluggish economy.

Southwest has often been a leader in prime rate changes, although other major banks said they had no immediate plans to go along with the lower rate.

"There's no doubt that it, their track record in leading changes in the prime rate is excellent," said William Sullivan of Dean Witter Reynolds Inc.

Sullivan said that other banks may be waiting to see if the Federal Reserve sends a clear signal to the markets that it is adopting an easier credit stance.

The prime rate decrease came after the government said that job growth in the economy last month was smaller than expected.



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### ANNOUNCEMENT

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Interest Rate of 8 ½% per annum,

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SLOWING IN ECONOMIC ACTIVITY AND HELPED SUPPORT HOPE  
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BR ASSETS	78/2	78/4	HESTAIR	240/0	239/0	ROCKWARE	61/4	61/1
BR DREGA	178/0	176/0	HEYWOOD W	272/0	273/0	ROTHSCHILD	206/0	206/0
BR VITA	262/0	263/0	HICKSON IN	249/0	249/0	ROTORAK	158/0	157/0
BRENT CHE	145/0	145/0	HIGGS HLT	365/0	365/0	RUGBY GRP	204/0	204/0
BRENT WCR	391/0	392/0	HMRO CITY	39/0	39/0	RUTLAND T	44/0	45/0
BRIDON	199/0	199/0	HMRO ZPT	205/0	206/0	SAGA GRP	299/0	300/0
BRITAIN SE	166/0	166/0	HNTR SPHR	145/0	146/0	SALE TLNY	200/0	200/0
BRITANNIC	395/0	397/0	HOLMES PR	86/0	86/0	SALEVEN	135/0	136/0
BRITON E	391/0	391/0	HOLDEN GP	152/0	153/0	SALVAGE S	59/0	59/0
BRN & JAC	42/0	42/0	HOPKINSON	62/0	61/0	SAVOY M*	875/0	885/0
BROWN SHI	351/0	352/0	HRDY OBGS	129/0	130/0	SCHR.GLOB	288/0	288/0
BRYANT GP	102/0	102/0	HTV GROUP	109/0	108/0	SCOT HERI	175/0	175/0
BSG INTL	71/4	71/4	ICE.FZ.FD	342/0	343/0	SCOT I.T.	154/0	154/0
BSR INTL	59/0	58/0	IMRY M.DV	456/0	457/0	SCOT MORT	125/0	126/0
BUDGENS	108/0	108/0	INOPDPT U	15/0	15/0	SCOT.AM.I	111/0	112/0
BULLOUGH	191/0	192/0	INNOCP PLC	31/4	32/0	SCOT NAT C	49/0	49/0
BULMER HP	168/0	170/0	INT.MR.CH	146/0	146/0	SCOT NAT I	96/4	96/4
CAIRD GRP	502/0	500/0	INT.CITY	56/0	56/0	SCOT NAT V	13/0	13/0
CALENDRIA	369/0	367/0	JOS. JONES	56/4	56/4	SECS TST	122/0	122/0
CAMB ELEC	215/0	215/0	KALAHAD	149/0	149/0	SELCTV 1P	17/0	17/0
CAMPORD E	272/0	271/0	KALANAZO	24/4	24/0	SENA GRP	321/0	321/0
CANNING W	263/0	262/0	KALON GRP	40/4	41/0	SHAMWICK	140/0	140/0
CANNON ST	214/0	214/0	KELT ENGY	55/4	55/0	SHERATON S	87/0	87/0
CAP.RADIO	828/0	830/0	KETSON	11/0	11/0	SHIRE INV	251/0	251/0
CARADON	339/0	339/0	KLURT CHR	145/0	145/0	SIRON ENY	382/0	382/0
CARLCO EN	154/0	155/0	KLURT O'S	155/0	155/0	SINGERBFR	75/0	76/0
CAULDON	15/0	15/0	KLURT SHI	187/0	188/0	SPIN D	295/0	296/0
CEWIL TV	76/0	78/0	KM-KIT SAVE	465/0	465/0	SPRING RIF	23/0	23/0
CHAMP PHR	214/0	214/0	KMK-FIT	104/0	105/0	SPRTH R	121/0	121/0
CHARTERIA	21/0	21/6	LAING 'A'	346/0	346/0	SPRX-ARC	233/0	233/0
CHLORIDE	40/0	40/0	LAING ORD	346/0	346/0	ST.ANDREW	218/0	218/0
CHRISTIES	257/0	257/0	LAING PRP	509/0	510/0	ST.MOOREN	38/4	39/0
CI GROUP	55/0	55/0	LAIRD GRP	265/0	265/0	STAKIS	104/0	104/0
CLAYFLAM	301/0	297/0	LAURANCE W	147/0	147/0	STEETLEY	442/0	442/0
CNTRL SEC	58/4	58/4	LON & MET	179/0	179/0	STHEHD PR	207/0	207/0
CNTRY OIL	183/0	183/0	LON ATLAN	312/0	312/0	STODDARD	45/0	45/0
COALITE	443/0	440/0	LON INTL	216/0	218/0	STORMGARD	19/0	19/0
COATES BR	281/0	282/0	LON UTD	49/0	48/0	STURGE ND	231/0	232/0
COLOROLL	155/0	155/0	LONWEDIN	141/0	142/0	T.J.P. EU	165/0	166/0
CONNELLS	236/0	237/0	LEISURE I	83/0	83/0	TELENETRX	41/0	41/0
COOPER F	141/0	141/0	LEUP GROUP	163/0	163/0	TEMPLE BA	246/0	245/0
COSTAIN	343/0	343/0	LEX SERVC	376/0	373/0	THAMES TV	485/0	482/0
COURTS FR	194/0	193/0	LIFE SCIE	79/0	79/0	THORNTONS	149/0	149/0
COMIE (T)	139/0	140/0	LILLEY FJ	71/0	71/0	THROGNTN	86/4	87/0
CRH	192/0	193/0	LIT	135/0	135/0	TIE RACK	71/0	70/0
CRISTAL INT	195/4	197/0	LLOYD TRP	220/0	220/0	TILBURY	52/0	51/0
CROYA INT	130/0	130/0	LOGICA	253/0	253/0	TRIMCOOD	243/0	243/0
CROWN PROP	253/0	253/0	LOWELL H	25/0	25/0	TIPHOOC	475/0	470/0
DARES EST	31/2	31/0	LON (WM)	273/0	275/0	TOKINS F	245/0	244/0
DAVIS GD	162/0	163/0	LOWBROWNER	213/0	213/0	TOOMAL	124/0	123/0
DAVY CORP	243/0	243/0	M&G GROUP	328/0	329/0	TOZER KEN	107/0	108/0
DANSON GP	127/0	125/0	M.C.PACIF	234/0	233/0	TR CITY	90/0	90/0
DELTA GRP	322/0	323/0	MACARTHY	248/0	247/0	TR PACIFIC	85/4	85/0
DEVENISH	306/0	305/0	MACFARLANEE	228/0	228/0	TR PROPTY	60/4	60/4
DEVERHST	43/4	43/0	MAI	95/0	95/0	TR TRSTEE	151/4	152/0
DIPLOMA	218/0	219/0	MAJEDIE	262/0	242/0	TRIMCOO	39/4	39/0
DOBSON PK	97/4	97/4	MAINDERS	214/0	215/0	TRIPLEX	165/0	162/0
DONPAS GR	356/0	356/0	MARLEY	149/0	149/0	TRITON ER	190/0	189/0
DOODINGHAM	79/0	79/0	MAUNDERS	115/0	116/0	TRSPRT DV	245/0	246/0
DOUGY GRP	274/0	274/0	MCKECHNIE	301/0	301/0	TV SA HLD	88/4	88/0
DRAYTON FE	423/0	421/0	MENEC	247/0	247/0	TVS ENTER	309/0	307/0
DRAYTON C	538/0	538/0	MENZIES	348/0	350/0	TYE BORDAN	75/0	75/0
DRG	485/0	486/0	MERCH. TST	178/0	178/0	U-BRD ST	39/0	39/0
DUNDEMSTR	75/0	75/0	MERLIN IN	98/0	98/0	U-BROADMIL	215/0	215/0
DUMDEE LD	329/0	329/0	METAL CLS	199/0	180/0	U-CITYTVN	173/0	172/0
DUNHILL	321/0	320/0	METALRAC	99/0	100/0	U-CLIFF	76/0	76/0
EDIN I.T	195/0	195/0	METER INT	389/0	388/0	U-DEARBAB	110/0	110/0
EDIN T	43/0	43/0	MILBURN	127/0	127/0	U-HIGH NT	211/0	211/0
ELECTRA	288/4	290/0	ML HDGESS	129/0	129/0	U-JURHAN	55/0	54/0
ELECTROCON	201/0	201/0	MNL CHLT	179/0	179/0	U-EXPLAUR	44/0	44/0
EMAP	242/0	243/0	MOLINS OR	200/0	200/0	U-FERRARI	11/0	10/0
EMESS	460/0	458/0	MONKS T	272/0	272/0	U-FLOYD E	21/4	21/4
EMPIRE ST	177/0	177/0	MORGAN CR	276/0	277/0	U-FRD SEL	111/0	111/0
ENG.INT.J	309/0	309/0	MORGAN GF	276/0	277/0	U-HYND PT	240/0	240/0
ETAN	179/0	180/0	MORLAND	733/0	725/0	U-HUGH.NT	182/0	182/0
EURO.HOME	169/0	167/0	MOUNTLEIG	157/0	157/0	U-HUGHES	42/0	43/0
EUTROTHERM	293/0	293/0	MOUNLEN J	436/0	435/0	U-ISRAEL	22/0	22/0
EUTRNL UT	076/0	077/0	MRY INCH	215/4	215/4	U-KUNICK	60/4	60/0
EUTRNL TV	84/4	84/0	MRRY INTL	217/0	217/0	U-LON FRF	126/0	126/0
EVEX GRP	179/0	178/0	M.S INTL	146/0	146/0	U-MICROFT	40/0	40/0
EXP.CO.LOU	241/0	242/0	N.BRIT CA	430/0	430/0	U-MILNAR	31/0	29/0
EXPAMET	229/0	229/0	N.ENG.IND	132/0	132/0	U-MONWNT	27/2	27/2
FEC ENTER	33/4	33/4	NAT.TELCO	110/0	110/0	U-MRRYDYN	379/0	385/0
FEC ORDER	289/0	290/0	NEMARK	015/0	015/0	U-M.SEARG	43/0	43/0
FEC PACIF	171/0	170/0	NEWPORT	308/0	308/0	U-PAYNEN	35/0	35/0
FEC PALLR	82/0	82/0	NEWCASTL	283/0	283/0	U-PAULIN	283/0	283/0
FENNEL	170/0	171/0	NORMANS	60/0	60/0	U-SAC INT	103/0	102/0
FENNER JH	178/0	178/0	NORTHANBR	296/0	295/0	U-STH BUI	473/0	472/0
FERGUSON	252/0	251/0	NSM PLC	96/0	96/0	U-STHPOKE	210/0	210/0
FINE ARTS	245/0	244/0	NUNDR&NCO	196/0	197/0	U-TRNDW V	17/0	17/0
FINLAN GP	84/0	84/0	O'SEAS IT	225/0	226/0	UNION DTS	495/0	498/0
FINJAY L	109/0	109/0	OCEAN TPT	330/0	331/0	UNITECH	347/0	347/0
FITCHALY	270/0	270/0	OCEANICS	27/0	27/0	UTD.JNDUS	61/0	60/0
FLN.H.INC	108/0	108/0	OSSORY EST	20/4	20/4	UTD.SCIEN	140/0	140/0
FLNG AMER	149/4	150/0	OWMERS AB	78/0	78/0	VALUE&INC	65/0	65/0
FLNG F.E	237/0	236/0	OXFORD INS	229/0	229/0	VAUX GRP	285/0	287/0
FLNG INIV	181/0	181/0	P & O VLS	99/0	100/0	VERSON	36/0	36/0
FLNG JAPN	245/4	245/0	P & P LTC	223/0	223/0	VG INSTMT	313/0	313/0
FLNG MERC	211/0	211/0	PACIFIC A	227/0	226/0	VICKERS	203/0	204/0
FLNG TECH	191/0	191/0	PAGE (N)	50/0	50/0	VPI GROUP	146/0	147/0
FRMLY LD	280/0	280/0	PENTLAND	100/0	100/0	WAGDON HGT	197/0	196/0
FRGRODRA	504/0	504/0	PENTOS PLC	95/0	94/0	WADDIN GRP	382/0	380/0
FRGROSMAT	268/0	268/0	PERKINSON	61/0	61/0	WADG HLDIS	113/0	113/0
GESTETTER	288/0	289/0	PERKINS GRP	148/0	148/0	WARDLE ST	369/0	373/0
GOODE DUR	128/0	128/0	PERSIMMON	148/0	148/0	WARDLE ST	76/0	76/0
GRG	41/0	41/0	PHOENIX	80/0	80/0	WATERS U	177/0	177/0
GRMP HN	224/0	223/0	PICKWICK	223/0	222/0	WATES CITY	182/0	181/0
GRN KING	509/0	508/0	POWELL DU	382/0	383/0	WATTS B&B	335/0	335/0
GREYLL W	290/0	291/0	PRESTWICH	111/0	111/0	WCCS GRP	260/0	261/0
GRENCOVA	482/0	482/0	PRIEST (B)	22/6	22/6	WEIR GRP	279/0	279/0
GRMP TV A	70/0	70/0	PRIEST NA	445/0	445/0	WENBLEY	118/0	118/0
GT PRTLYD	375/0	375/0	PROF&SECUR	179/0	179/0	WESTBURY	240/0	240/0
GVS ORD	613/0	600/0	PROOFDOUT	274/0	275/0	WESTLAND	128/0	128/0
GUTT ORIE	383/0	381/0	PROV FINL	319/0	319/0	WHENAY	134/0	134/0
GVT STRA	261/4	261/0	RAINE IND	99/0	99/0	WHITECROF	311/0	312/0
H&ND DIS	212/0	213/0	RANSMOES	222/0	221/0	WILSON BOU	221/0	221/0
HALMA	218/0	218/0	RATNERS	246/0	246/0	WILSON CON	167/0	167/0
HAMMERSON	825/0	828/0	REACH EV	642/0	645/0	WOLSELEY	282/0	284/0
HATHMILL LE	70/4	70/4	REFUGE GP	453/0	450/0	WOLVEDUD	431/0	432/0
HAZELWOOD	260/0	261/0	REGAL TV	114/0	115/0	WPP GRP	608/0	608/0
HEATH(CS)	440/0	479/0	REGENTCARST	72/0	72/0	WV MOTOR	660/0	660/0
HELIAC E	335/0	336/0	RENDOL	80/0	84/0	Y&P GROUP	345/0	346/0
			RENTOKIL	327/0	328/0	YORK CHEN	345/0	346/0
			ROBINSON	686/0	687/0	YOUNG CHN	173/0	173/0

MURPHY-HCLEN	63/0	62/2	SEALED AIX	14/1	14/0
MURPHY OIL	37/1	37/0	SEARS ROE	47/3	47/1
AT INTERG	17/0	16/7	SERV CORP	20/4	20/4
BI CORP	1/7	1/7	SA STH PAC	22/6	22/5
CR CORP	56/7	56/6	SHELL TRAN	39/0	39/0
CV ENG INC	25/7	25/6	SHERILL	67/3	66/7
EV PLV REA	15/7	15/7	SHERW-WILL	29/6	29/6
FEVILL CO	39/7	39/7	SMITH INT	13/0	13/0
FEWORTH NJ	34/0	34/1	SMITH BEC	61/4	61/3
FEWORTH GLD	29/7	30/0	SNAP ON TL	40/0	39/6
I HORG-10	0	60/0	SOURCE CAP	39/2	39/4
I HORG-72	0	74/2	SOUTHERN	25/6	25/5
ITCOLEIN IN	11/5	11/6	SPAIN FUND	11/3	11/4
ITCO INC	36/0	35/7	SPERRY	9/7	10/0
L TEND	26/3	26/2	SQUARE D	57/4	57/3
LOBLE AFF	13/6	13/6	SQUIBB		
LOD RESOU	14/2	14/2	STONE CONT	29/0	28/7
LOTHROP	23/0	23/0	SUN CO	42/2	42/0
ORTON	53/4	53/4	SUNSTRAND	65/2	65/0
OVCO CORP	41/6	41/5	SUNSH MIN	3/0	2/7
PAK IND	52/6	53/0	SUPER VAL	27/1	27/0
PRION PICT	1/2	1/3	SOUTHWEST	25/5	25/4
CV PETRCP	28/5	28/5	SV GAS	18/1	18/2
CEAN DRILL	18/6	19/0	SUN BELL	52/3	51/7
COORD CORP	30/3	30/2	TDK	0	75/4
H ID CO	20/6	20/5	TECO ENERGY	24/5	24/4
HOW MATT	13/7	13/6	TEKTRONIX	23/5	23/4
IN IN CORP	59/0	58/0	TELEADYNE	356/0	354/6
WHICARE	0	8/6	TELEPHONIC	23/4	23/3
WINE INC	20/5	20/5	TELEX CORP	0	49/0
AN UN	19/0	18/6	TERADYNE	14/6	14/5
AN WEB	4/5	4/4	TESORO PET	10/3	10/2
AN HANDLE	23/2	23/2	TEX ASER B	*13	*13
ARKER DRI	7/4	7/4	TEX EAS TR	52/0	52/1
ARKER CAN	28/0	28/0	TEXACO	49/0	49/2
ARKER PET	5/7	5/7	TEXAS IND	32/1	32/0
ATULLMAN CO	0	0	TEXAS INST	4/0	4/5
C INDB-96	0	89/4	TEXTRON	27/6	27/5
EGASUS	9/3	9/4	THOMPS MND	22/3	22/3
ENNER CENTR	27/0	27/0	TIDEWATER	9/2	9/1
ENNWALT	128/7	128/7	TIME INCOR	127/6	127/1
FINNALL	81/1	81/0	TIMKEN	37/7	37/4
PEOPLES EN	22/2	22/1	TORCHMARK	39/3	39/2
EPSSCO	54/2	54/3	TOSCO	4/5	4/6
FIZER	61/2	61/0	TOYS & US	31/5	31/4
WILLIS DOD	59/6	59/4	TRANASER	34/6	34/5
WILLIPS PE	139/4	139/0	TRANSCO EN	42/6	42/3
WIMAC W	24/0	23/6	TRANSCO EX	9/5	9/5
WINTON-BOMES	12/7	12/7	TRAVELLERS	41/0	40/7
WITTSON	44/6	45/0	TRINITY IN	40/0	39/6
WOLAROID	20/1	20/3	TW CORP	32/3	32/2
ORLAND GE	40/2	40/0	TYCO LABS	41/7	41/5
PG INDS	24/0	24/0	UAL CORP	122/6	122/4
REIME COMP	45/0	45/1	UTD BRAND	13/5	13/7
REIME INWS	16/5	16/5	UTD TECH	51/2	51/2
RIMERICA	32/5	32/3	UNILEVER	62/1	61/7
ROGT-GAMB	22/6	22/6	UNION CAMP	37/6	37/5
UACET SP-L	103/6	103/2	UNION CARB	27/5	27/0
ULTIME HOME	19/4	19/3	US SHOE	18/7	18/6
UAKER AUT	17/0	16/6	USX CP	36/7	36/0
UAKER COR	59/1	58/6	US WEST	68/6	68/2
UAKER COR	17/6	17/6	US AIR CP	45/6	45/5
UANTUM CH	44/2	44/0	VALERO EN	17/7	17/5
MAAS PURIN	88/0	87/2	VALLEY IND	1/7	1/7
AMADA INR	13/3	13/1	VARCO INTL	4/2	4/2
WYLLIS OIL	5/3	5/3	VARIAN ASS	26/5	26/2
WYATTEN	35/2	35/1	W PNT PEPP	55/5	55/5
WYKAWK	2/4	2/3	WALNO CO	8/0	7/7
WYTHOEN	71/4	71/2	WALN MORT	38/6	38/4
WYTHOEN ME	55/0	55/0	WALGREEN	41/5	41/5
WYTHOEN CORP	9/5	9/6	WARNER COM	52/0	51/5
WYTHOEN	22/3	22/3	WARNER LAW	88/5	88/2
OHN WAAS	34/7	34/4	WASTE MAN	52/4	52/0
OLLINS IN	12/2	12/2	WASH GAS L	25/4	25/3
OLLINS IN	19/5	19/6	WENDY INTL	5/7	5/7
ORNER GRP	39/5	39/5	WEST CO	18/7	19/0
QMAN CORP	8/2	8/1	WESTINGHSE	63/3	63/0
OYL DUTCH	62/2	62/0	WILLIAMS C	38/0	38/0
SS BERRIE	19/6	19/6	WILLIAMS E	14/8	14/5
YDER SYST	24/4	24/3	WINNEBAGO	8/5	8/6
YLAND GRP	21/6	21/4	WOLVER W	13/4	13/3
DIEG G-E	0	39/6	WOOLWORTH	53/0	52/7
ALOWIN	25/6	25/4	WORLDCORP	8/4	8/5
ARA LEE	55/0	54/6	WRIGLEY	48/0	47/7
C ATLANTA	19/0	18/3	WYLE LABS	9/1	9/2
CTD PPR	48/0	47/3	XEROX CORP	64/2	63/6
COTTYS	15/5	15/2	ZAPATA	3/0	2/7
E BANK CO	28/5	28/4	ZAYRE CORP	29/2	29/0
EAGRAM GR	75/0	74/7	ZENITH EL	20/0	20/6
EAGULL EN	20/6	20/6	ZERO	19/5	19/5

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## International Bond Highlights

NEW YORK: US treasuries opened sharply higher on news of US May employment data, showing non-farm payrolls rose 101,000. Most economists said the data will probably lead the Federal Reserve to ease its monetary policy slightly. The 9-7/8 pct 30-year bond was bid at 103-29/32, up 29/32 from Thursday's close.

Series: Finance ministers and central bank governors from the Group of 10 countries approved a plan outlining how the International Monetary Fund and the World Bank should work together to tackle Third World debt.

Tokyo: Japan's major securities houses are ready to take the lead in underwriting Euroyen bonds as soon as deregulation of the European primary market takes effect, managers at the International Finance Divisions of Brokerages said.

London: Turkey's state Ziraat Bank has been mandated by the Ministry of Finance to arrange a 100 mln dir, 12-year floating rate note, as first foray into the securities market without a treasury guarantee.

Paris: Citicorp chairman John Reed said he was confident of an accord at talks in New York between Mexico and commercial banks on rescheduling the country's commercial debt.

London: The London branch of Banca Commerciale Italiana is issuing a 17.30 billion yen Eurobond due March 4, 1994 with a step-down coupon and priced at 113.40 pct. Deutscher Eurobond Ltd said it is launching a 200 mln US dir Euro-commercial paper programme with Swiss Bank Corp as arranger.

Amsterdam: Unilever NV has launched a Eurogulder commercial paper programme with no formal ceiling, Amsterdam-Rotterdam Bank NV said as an arranger.

## BOMBAY

PR. CLOSE	OPEN	CLOSE	GLINDIA	90.50	95.50	94	MUK IRON	112	115	114
ACC	323.50	329	325.50	GMFC	37.25	38.25	37.75	NAT INDEX	363.50	366.65
ALLEN CHEM	---	---	---	GRASIM	116.50	119	111.50	NIPPON	36	35
ALW MIS	---	---	---	GSFC	146.25	147.50	145	NOCIL	780	800
ARI FAB	---	---	---	GUJ ALKAL	66	68	68.50	ORKAY	21	20
ASHOK LEY	80	74	75	GUJ HEAVY	11	10	11	OSMAL AGRO	71	71
ASIA PAINT	177.50	180	182.50	HERO HONDA	23	22	23	PEICO	21	20.50
ATLAS COP	42	40	41	HIND CIBA	940	950	950	PFIZER	69	68.50
AUTO CORP	87	42	41.50	HIND COCOA	102.50	106.50	105	PONDS	181.25	180
BAJAJ AUTO	365	380	372.50	HIND LEVER	86	86.50	87.50	PREM AUTO	50.50	53
BAR RAYON	417.50	425	430	HIND MOTOR	37.25	37.50	38	RANBAXO	110	107.50
BE BOND	143.50	143	145	HINDALCO	280	282.50	277.50	RAY MOOL	80	79
BK PLAST	---	---	---	HOECHST	740	740	760	RECKITT	191.25	185
BOM DYE	135	136.50	139.50	IND ORG	34.50	34.50	34.50	RELIANCE	116	122
BSE INDEX	691.15	699.02	699.02	IND RAYON	83.50	86	81.50	SESA GOA	46	44.50
CAIRTEL	185	180	192.50	INDROL	298.75	302.50	307.50	SHRI FIB	86	84
CANSHARE	250	255	252.50	INDSOLL	365	367.50	372.50	SIEMENS	71	72
CEN ENKA	200	220	220	ITC	102	105	103	SKF	1350	1350
CEN SPG	1825	1850	1850	KIN EYNG	75	77	75	SPIC	56	56.50
COLGATE	333.75	337.50	335	KJM SGN	75	77	75	ST MILLS	255	255
CROMT GR	1225	1250	1250	KIR CUMM	75	76.25	77.50	TATA CHEM	112	116
DCM	11.50	10.50	11.50	KSB PUMPS	405	395	405	TATA OIL	61.25	58
DEEP FERT	27.50	27.75	28	L AND T	82.50	87	84.50	TATA POW	372.50	332.50
DUNLOP	80	---	---	LIPION	73	72	73	TELCO	727.50	787.50
EI HOTELS	56	53	56	MAD RUSSEL	115	110	112.50	THAPP AGRO	---	---
ESORTS	63	63	64	MAD COATS	100	99	100	TISCO	1240	1250
ESKAYEF	118.75	118.75	117.50	MAHINDRA	95	95	96	VAN ORG	161	166.50
ESSAR SPG	22	22.50	22.50	MAD SHARE	18.25	18	18.15	VARELI	26.25	26.25
FOOD SPL	170	177.50	175	MILCO	585	570	580	VOLTA	730	710
FORBES	49	48	50	NILKFOOD	205	212.50	210	WINCO	22	22.50
GE POLY	68.50	69	71	MODI	86.25	90	87.50	ZENITH	59	56
GE SHIPPING	39	40	40	MRF LTD	380	370	380	ZUARI AGRO	70	73.75

## FRANKFURT

STOCK	LAST PR-CLSE
AEG	210.0
ALIANZ VR	1784.0
BADEMERK	196.5
BASF	314.0
BAYER	311.8
BAYER HYP	380.0
BAYER VER	376.5
BBC	447.0
BIF	452.0
BHW	563.5
COMMERZB	239.0
CONTI GUM	287.5
DAMMER BEN	688.0
DEUTSCH BK	541.5
DLW	550.0
DRESNER B	318.8
FAT BARCOCK	170.5
FZ INDEX	593.20
FEUERHUELE	351.0
GEORGIAHUE	44.0
HANSEMERK	454.0
HOECHST AG	318.5
HOECHST AG	263.5
HORTEN	249.0
HUSSEL HLD	574.0
KALI SALZ	205.0
KARSTADT	524.0
KAUFHOFF	480.0
KLOECK H	159.0
KLOECK W	162.5
LINDE	730.0
LUFTHANSA	184.8
MAN	300.0
MANHESMAN	246.5
MERCEDES	544.0
METALLURG	416.5
NIXDORF PF	306.0
NORSK HYD	44.10
PHILIP KHM	578.0
PORSCHE	765.0
PREUSSAG	284.0
RUE	290.0
RUEINMETAL	419.0
RUE	490.0
RUE P	257.0
SALAMANDER	344.0
SCHERING	678.5
SEL	306.0
SIEMENS	551.0
THYSEN	255.0
VARTA	369.0
VEBA	298.5
VEW	186.3
VOLKSWAGEN	397.3

## HONG KONG

STOCK	LAST PR-CLSE
BANK EA	15.80
CATHAY	9.05
CAVENDISH	297
CHENG K	8.70
CHINA L-P	13.30
DAIRY FARM	690
EVERGO IND	2.12
GT EAGLE	0
H S INDEX	75.38
HAECO	19
HANG LUNG	4.72
HENDERSON	4.77
HK BANK	5.85
HK ELEC	7.40
HK GAS	17.70
HK LAND	8.90
HK TELECOM	4.90
HK-S HOTEL	5.00
HOPEWELL	2.32
HS BANK	22.90
HUTCHINSON	9.60
HYSAK DEV	1.37
JAR MATH	19.20
JSH	11.10
KN BUS	7.35
LAI SUN	127
MANDARIN O	0
MIRAMAR	6.40
NEW WORLD	9.95
PAUL Y CON	1.03
SIK PROP	10.80
STELUX	2.20
SHIRE A	17.80
TAI CHEUNG	4.00
TV-B	1.08
WNAF	9.00
WINSOR	8.60
WORLD INTL	3.70

## TOKYO

STOCK	LAST PR-CLSE
AJINOMOTO	2690
AKAI ELEC	840
AKAI	1380
ASAHI GLS	2280
ASAHI OPT	920
BANK TOKYO	1630
BRIDGESTON	1620
CANON	1890
CHUGAI PHM	1470
CITICORP	1730
D-ICHT KAN	1150
DAI NIP IK	903
DAI NIP PT	2380
DAI NIP SC	1230
DAI NIP TO	971
DAICEL	1050
DATUM	2150
DATUM-SEC	2120
EBRA HFG	2290
ELSA	1970
FUJITSU	1590
FUJITSU	3520
FUJITSU	4140
FUJITSU	1730
FUJITSU	1840
HITACHI	1690
HONDA	2030
ISSETAN	2460
ITO YOKADO	3830
JAP SYN RU	1180
JAPAN AIR	16900
JAPAN MET	1000
KAJIMA	2080
KANSAI EL	4550
KAO SOAP	1730
KAWASAKI H	1150
KAWASAKI S	971
KIRIN BEV	1930
KOMATSU	1300
KUBOTA LTD	1220
KYOCERA	5260
MAKITA EL	1900
MARUI	2790
MATSUDA EI	2490
MATSUDA O	2660
MEIJI SEIK	1110
MITSUB CP	1450
MITSUB EST	2370
MITSUB HVM	1160
MITSUBI	1070
MITSUBISHI	2370
MITSUBI EL	1040
NICHICON	1740
NINON CHMT	1180
NIKKO SEC	1780
NIP ELEC	1880
NIP KOKKAN	868
NIP OIL	1440
NIP STEEL	865
NIP YUSEN	1020
NIS MOTOR	1650
NOMURA SEC	3310
OHBA CO	1170
OLYMPUS	1390
PENTA OCN	1410
PIONEER	3650
RENOM	1100
SAITOH	1300
SANKYO	2390
SANKYO ELEC	983
SEIYU ST	2220
SEKISUI PB	2010
SHARP	1460
SHISEIDO	1710
SONY	7850
SUMITOMO	1280
TAISEI	1620
TAISHO MRN	1300
TAKEDA CH	2350
TEIJIN	871
TKO NEW IX	501.56
TKOIX MRN	2020
TOKYO ELEC	1260
TOKYO GAS	1080
TOKYO POWR	5900
TORAY IND	994
TOSHIBA EL	1460
TOTO	2410
TOTO KOGY	1030
TOYOTA MOT	2740
YAMAH	1460
YAMAHATCHI	1770
YAMAMOTO	3490
YAMAZAKI	1560

## Tokyo Stock Market Report

TOKYO STOCKS CLOSE DOWN AS SENTIMENT SHIFTS

TOKYO, JUNE 2, REUTER - INVESTORS DUMPED BASIC INDUSTRY AND INTEREST-SENSITIVE STOCKS IN FAVOR OF BLUE CHIPS, SPARKING BROAD SELLING. SHARE PRICES FELL IN MODERATE TRADE.

"THERE'S A SHIFT IN MOOD OVER WHAT SECTORS ARE THE MARKET LEADERS," SAID A BROKER AT A MAJOR JAPANESE SECURITIES HOUSE.

BROKERS SAID INVESTORS ARE DISAPPOINTED IN THE PERFORMANCE OF CHEMICAL, PAPER AND STEEL STOCKS, WHICH HAVE BEEN BOUGHT RECENTLY AND ARE HEAVILY WEIGHTED IN THE KEY 225-SHARE NIKKEI INDEX, AND WANT TO REARRANGE THEIR PORTFOLIOS.

THE NIKKEI PLUNGED 313.93 POINTS, OR 0.92 PCT, TO CLOSE AT 33,667.42, AFTER DROPPING 285.40 POINTS ON THURSDAY.

THE INDEX FELL 353.38 POINTS TO HIT A LOW 33,627.97 NEAR THE CLOSE. IT LOST A TOTAL OF 524.20 POINTS IN THE WEEK.

TODAY'S DROP WAS THE THIRD BIGGEST THIS YEAR.

"MARKET SENTIMENT HAS TURNED NEGATIVE, AND VOLUME HAS DROPPED OFF FROM YESTERDAY," SAID SHIGERU AKIBA, HEAD TRADER FOR UBS PHILLIPS AND DREW INTERNATIONAL.

TURNOVER WAS 900 MLN AGAINST THURSDAY'S 1.6 BILLION.

"BUYING IS ON INDIVIDUAL MERIT, ESPECIALLY STOCKS WITH LOW PRICE/EARNINGS RATIOS, AND SELLING IS BY SECTOR," SAID NASHAHARA SAKUDO, TACHIBANA SECURITIES MANAGING DIRECTOR.

THE FIRST SECTOR INDEX, OR TOPIX, SHED 16.65 POINTS TO 2,501.56 AFTER DROPPING 18.93 POINTS ON THURSDAY.

FALLS OUTNUMBERED RISES NEARLY TWO TO ONE, WITH 614 SHARES LOWER, 309 HIGHER AND 172 UNCHANGED.

"THIS IS A TEMPORARY CORRECTION," SAID THE BROKER AT A MAJOR JAPANESE SECURITIES FIRM.

INTEREST-RATE SENSITIVE FINANCIALS, WHICH HAVE THE GREATEST WEIGHT IN THE NIKKEI INDEX, ALSO FACED SELLING PRESSURE ON FEARS OF HIGHER INTEREST RATES FOLLOWING THE RECENT RISE IN JAPAN'S DISCOUNT RATE, BROKERS SAID.

INDIVIDUALS WERE THE MOST ACTIVE MARKET PLAYERS TODAY.

## Hong Kong Stock Market Report

HONG KONG, JUNE 2, REUTER - THE HANG SENG INDEX CLOSED 14.6 POINTS DOWN AT 2,675.38 AFTER RECOVERING SOME EARLIER LOSSES IN THE AFTERNOON SESSION.

BUT BROKERS SAID THE RECOVERY FROM THE LUNCHTIME CLOSE OF 2,649.17 WAS NO MORE THAN A SLIGHT BOUNCE AND THE MARKET REMAINED DOMINATED BY THE POLITICAL UNCERTAINTY IN CHINA.

"THERE IS LIKELY TO BE SELLING INTO THE BOUNCE," SAID ONE BROKER. "BASICALLY THE MARKET HAS NO BOTTOM AT THE MOMENT."

BROKERS SAID NEXT WEEK THE MARKET WAS EXPECTED TO DRIFT FURTHER DOWN. SINCE MAY 18, JUST BEFORE THE TURMOIL IN CHINA INTENSIFIED, THE MARKET HAS SHED 602.28 POINTS OR 18.38 PCT.

## AMMAN

As of 31.5.89	OPNG	CLSG		
ALA-ADDIN COMPANY	2.33	2.33	JOR NATIONAL BANK	2.47
ARAB ALUMINUM IND.	2.17	2.19	JOR PAPER CARDBRIG	3.70
ARAB BANK	153.0	150.5	JOR PHOSPHATE MINS	3.90
ARAB CHEMICAL DTR	4.51	4.55	JOR PIPES MANUFACT	2.29
ARAB FINANCE CORP.	1.71	1.71	JOR PRESS/PUBLISN.	1.79
ARAB INSURANCE	1.05	1.02	JOR PRINTING/PACK.	4.25
ARAB INT. INV/TRADE	0.63	0.60	JOR ROCK WOOL IND.	1.04
ARAB INT. UNION INS	1.11	1.16	JOR SECURIT CORP	1.12
ARAB INTER. HOTELS	1.31	1.27	JOR SELPHO CHEM.	2.08
ARAB JOR/INVEST/BK	2.37	2.37	JOR WOOD INDUSTRY	2.45
ARAB PAPER CO/TRA	0.37	0.35	JOR WORSTED MLL	4.70
ARAB PHARMA. MANF.	3.50	3.50	JOR. KUAWIT AGR	0.91
ARAB PHARMA/CHEN	1.44	1.43	JOR. PETROLIUM REF	7.90
ARABIAN SEAS INS.	1.65	1.65	JOR. FRENCH INS.	5.45
BANK OF JORDAN	15.65	15.20	JOR. INV. FIN. CORP	2.57
BEIT AL-MAL/BEITMA	1.05	1.03	JORDAN GULF REAL	0.35
BELGIUM INSURANCE	1.00	0.95	JORDAN DAIRY	1.10
CAIRO AMMAN BANK	30.00	30.50	JORDAN GULF BANK	1.19
CONFECT/CHOCOLATE	1.05	1.25	JORDAN GULF INS.	0.94
DAR AL SHAAR PRESS	0.29	0.28	JORDAN INSURANCE	3.40
DAR ALDAMA OV/INV.	2.55	2.54	JORDAN ISLAMIC BNC	2.00
DARCO/INVEST/HOUS.	0.80	0.78	JORDAN KUWAIT BNC	1.45
FINANCE/CREDIT/CCR	0.75	0.71	LIVESTOCK/POULTRY	0.71
GARAGE OWNERS OFF	4.60	4.60	MACH/EMI/RENT/MAIN	0.80
GENERAL INSURANCE	2.39	2.63	MID EAST INDUSTRIES	0.73
GENERAL INVESTMENT	1.27	1.25	MID EAST EXCHANGE	1.17
GENERAL MINING.	2.10	2.10	NIDDEL EAST HOTEL	0.57
HIMMEH MINERALS	0.75	0.75	NIDDEL EAST INS	2.02
HOLY LAND INS.	1.44	1.44	NIDDEL EAST INS	0.75
IND./MATCH JEMCO	0.80	0.83	NAT. FIN. INVEST CO	1.86
INDUSTRIAL DEVLPT BNC	1.60	1.68	NAT. FIN. INVEST CO	1.86
INDUSTRIAL/CONGR.	1.75	1.73	NAT. FIN. INVEST CO	1.86
INDUSTRIAL INVEST.	0.75	0.73	NAT. FIN. INVEST CO	1.86
INTERN.COM/INV	0.13	0.13	NAT. FIN. INVEST CO	1.86
IRBID ELECTRICITY	0.90	0.90	NAT. FIN. INVEST CO	1.86
ISLAMIC INV. HOUSE	0.54	0.64	NAT. FIN. INVEST CO	1.86
ITERMED/PETRI/CH	2.21	2.17	NAT. FIN. INVEST CO	1.86
J-TOUR-SP COMPLEX	0.79	0.80	NAT. FIN. INVEST CO	1.86
JERUSALEM INS.	1.26	1.29	NAT. FIN. INVEST CO	1.86
JO TOBACCO/CIGARET	19.00	19.50	NAT. FIN. INVEST CO	1.86
JOR CERAMIC FACTOR	2.09	2.08	NAT. FIN. INVEST CO	1.86
JOR EAGLE INS.	25.05	25.05	NAT. FIN. INVEST CO	1.86
JOR ELECTRIC POWER	1.49	1.49	NAT. FIN. INVEST CO	1.86
JOR FINANCE HOUSE	1.20	1.22	NAT. FIN. INVEST CO	1.86
JOR GLASS INDUSTRY	1.04	1.04	NAT. FIN. INVEST CO	1.86
JOR HOTEL TOURISM	2.30	2.18	NAT. FIN. INVEST CO	1.86
JOR INDUSTRY CHEM.	2.58	2.50	NAT. FIN. INVEST CO	1.86
JOR INS AND FIN.	1.20	1.20	NAT. FIN. INVEST CO	1.86
JOR LEASING CORP.	0.79	0.83	NAT. FIN. INVEST CO	1.86
JOR LIM BRICK	0.18	0.17	NAT. FIN. INVEST CO	1.86
JOR MANAG/CONSULT	0.50	0.50	NAT. FIN. INVEST CO	1.86
JOR NATIONAL BANK	2.47	2.46	NAT. FIN. INVEST CO	1.86
JOR PAPER CARDBRIG	3.70	3.70	NAT. FIN. INVEST CO	1.86
JOR PHOSPHATE MINS	3.90	3.90	NAT. FIN. INVEST CO	1.86
JOR PIPES MANUFACT	2.29	2.26	NAT. FIN. INVEST CO	1.86
JOR PRESS/PUBLISN.	1.79	1.72	NAT. FIN. INVEST CO	1.86
JOR PRINTING/PACK.	4.25	4.25	NAT. FIN. INVEST CO	1.86
JOR ROCK WOOL IND.	1.04	1.04	NAT. FIN. INVEST CO	1.86
JOR SECURIT CORP	1.12	1.11	NAT. FIN. INVEST CO	1.86
JOR SELPHO CHEM.	2.08	2.10	NAT. FIN. INVEST CO	1.86
JOR WOOD INDUSTRY	2.45	2.40	NAT. FIN. INVEST CO	1.86
JOR WORSTED MLL	4.70	4.70	NAT. FIN. INVEST CO	1.86
JOR. KUAWIT AGR	0.91	0.91	NAT. FIN. INVEST CO	1.86
JOR. PETROLIUM REF	7.90	7.80	NAT. FIN. INVEST CO	1.86
JOR. FRENCH INS.	5.45	5.45	NAT. FIN. INVEST CO	1.86
JOR. INV. FIN. CORP	2.57	2.50	NAT. FIN. INVEST CO	1.86
JORDAN GULF REAL	0.35	0.34	NAT. FIN. INVEST CO	1.86
JORDAN DAIRY	1.10	1.10	NAT. FIN. INVEST CO	1.86
JORDAN GULF BANK	1.19	1.18	NAT. FIN. INVEST CO	1.86
JORDAN GULF INS.	0.94	0.95	NAT. FIN. INVEST CO	1.86
JORDAN INSURANCE	3.40	3.25	NAT. FIN. INVEST CO	1.86
JORDAN ISLAMIC BNC	2.00	2.05	NAT. FIN. INVEST CO	1.86
JORDAN KUWAIT BNC	1.45	1.45	NAT. FIN. INVEST CO	1.86
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MACH/EMI/RENT/MAIN	0.80	0.80	NAT. FIN. INVEST CO	1.86
MID EAST INDUSTRIES	0.73	0.73	NAT. FIN. INVEST CO	1.86
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## Aqaba faces harder times

AMMAN, June 2. (Reuters): Jordan's only port of Aqaba, which boomed in the Gulf war as Iraq's main lifeline to the sea, faces a tougher future as peace threatens to divert trade elsewhere.

"We are not facing a catastrophe, but things will certainly become more difficult," said Hamad Farhan, director of Jordan's Federation of Shipping Agents.

Aqaba — in a friendly country, safe from attack at the top of the Red Sea and only 300 miles from the Iraqi border — won much business from Baghdad when Iranian raids closed Iraqi ports soon after war began in 1979.

That business helped earn Aqaba 40 million dinars (\$75 million) last year in port dues — equal to more than 10 per cent of Jordan's export earnings. But since August's ceasefire with Iran, Iraq has poured hundreds of millions of dollars into reopening its Gulf ports and Aqaba shippers fear these could take away some business.

Business soared from 6.5 million tonnes in Aqaba cargoes in 1980 to 20 million tonnes last year despite a general economic recession in the Middle East.

Iraqi trade through the port, which some economists valued to be \$400 million in 1988, accounted for 70 per cent, much of it oil.

Aqaba Port Corporation director-general Eid Al Fayez is optimistic Iraqi trade would grow further, though less quickly than before.

He forecast Iraqi imports through Aqaba would rise five per cent annually and exports would increase five to 10 per cent.

"I don't think they (the Iraqis) have a choice," he said.

Other officials cite wartime assurances that pro-Iraqi countries would receive commercial privileges when peace came.

Many experts are more pessimistic.

Tawfiq Kawar, managing director of one of Jordan's largest shipping companies, told Reuters he foresaw a long-term redistribution of Iraqi trade.

He said Iraq's ports of Basra, Zubair and Um Qasr would increasingly handle much of its trade with Asia, while Aqaba would have to compete with them and with Turkish ports for European trade.

"They (Iraqis) are still almost land-locked but with large exports and many neighbours, they can drive a hard bargain," Kawar said.

"Our best case scenario is keeping steady ... holding a smaller share of a larger market," he added.

Jordan's own exports of phosphates — six million tonnes annually — will grow this year when overland links to the port are improved.

## Saudis withdraw proposal to expel Israel from UN agency

NICE, France, June 2. (Reuters): Saudi Arabia today withdrew a proposal to expel Israel from the United Nations International Telecommunications Union (ITU).

The proposal, put forward last November by Saudi Arabia, Syria and Qatar, was removed from the agenda of the ITU's six-week conference in Nice.

"In the name of international détente looked for by the world community, the Arab delegations at the conference decided not to pursue the issue," Saudi Deputy Minister of Posts and Telecommunications Faisal Zaidan said.

Arab countries had accused Israel of interrupting telecommunications in occupied territories and preventing the Palestinian people from exercising their rights under the ITU convention.

The conciliatory step was in response to demands by some delegates who asked for the political issue to be dropped so the conference could get on with its work, Zaidan said.

US delegate Sonia Landau expressed her country's appreciation for the Arab decision but said the proposal should not have been tabled at all.

The Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO) attended the conference as an observer.

The PLO, which has launched a diplomatic drive to join the major United Nations agencies, has not applied for full ITU membership for its self-proclaimed state of Palestine.

## Jordan asks creditor nations to reschedule debt

AMMAN, June 2. (Reuters): Cash-strapped Jordan, hit by price riots in April sparked by an IMF-inspired austerity programme, has asked the Paris Club of creditor nations to reschedule its government-guaranteed debts.

Shakour Shaalan, director of the International Monetary Fund's Middle East department, told Reuters yesterday talks between Jordan and the Paris-based Club of major Western country creditors would start in mid-July.

He said contacts were also under way to reschedule part of Jordan's commercial loans through the London Club, a group of major banks who have given credits to Jordan.

The April riots, in which 11 people were killed and the government of Prime Minister Zeid Al Rifa'i toppled, were triggered by price increases of between 15 and 50 per cent on petrol, consumer goods and services.

Jordan, a nation of just over three million people, has a foreign debt of \$8.1 billion. Payments of \$1 billion are due this year but the repayments burden will ease slightly in 1990, officials say.

Shaalan said the IMF agreement approved a letter of intent on Jordan's five-year economic reforms plan in early May and the fund's executive board was likely to approve it by the end of June or early in July.

"In the meantime, Amman has approached the Paris Club and has talks are slated for July 17," soon after the IMF board endorses the letter of intent, he said.

Shaalan said the fund was satisfied with the way Jordan was managing its economic problems: "We are very happy with the way Jordan is acting. Otherwise our management would not have approved the letter of intent," and passed it on for further approval.

The government has kept a tight lid on the figures of government-guaranteed

and commercial debts and on the debt service ratio.

In the 1980s the resource-poor kingdom covered budget, trade and balance of payments deficits mainly with Arab aid, domestic and foreign borrowing and remittances from migrant workers.

Jordan's King Hussein urged Arab leaders at an Arab League summit in Morocco last week to financially help Jordan after a 10-year pact, under which Amman was to get \$1.25 billion a year, expired last July.

He told them Jordan had only received \$7 billion from oil-rich Arab states who made the pledge, a senior Jordanian official told Reuters yesterday.

Saudi Arabia has honoured its promises giving Jordan \$375 million a year, while Libya, another donor who pledged support, did not pay a single penny, he added.

He said Iraq, Oman and Kuwait had given Jordan \$120 million in cash and aid after the riots — Iraq and Oman gave \$20 million each, and Kuwait \$80 million — \$40 million in cash and \$40 million worth of oil.

Western diplomats put Jordan's budget deficit at 235 million dinars (\$410 million) at yesterday's exchange rate and \$675 million at 1988 exchange rates in 1988.

## Foreign investment to drop

## Economists fear stagnation in China

BEIJING, June 2. (Reuters): A power struggle in China sparked by six weeks of student protests means foreign investment will fall and the economy may stagnate, Chinese and Western economists said.

Hardliners led by senior leader Deng Xiaoping and Premier Li Peng are believed by diplomats to have gained the upper hand and to have ousted communist party chief Zhao Ziyang, the major executor of economic reform since 1980.

The official media is silent on the power struggle and much of the government is paralysed while it goes on.

Meetings with diplomats and visits by foreigners have been cancelled. Student protesters demanding democracy occupy Tiananmen Square in central Peking in defiance of martial law.

"What foreign investors care about most of all is political stability," a foreign lawyer specialising in China said. "For 10 years, we have been told repeatedly that China is stable and the bad, old days are over."

"Then this incredible thing happens. The party chief, we are told, has been accused of anti-party activities. The party is using 1930s Stalinist methods to solve 1980s problems. Who will have confidence in China's stability after this?" he said.

He predicted that foreign investment would slump for rest of this year.

A Western diplomat said foreign firms feared both instability in the leadership and unrest on the streets.

"After the death of Deng Xiaoping, the power struggle will be repeated. Then, it may be bigger and more violent," he said.

The lawyer said many foreign firms were interested in sectors where the government was trying — even before the protests — to curb new investment, such as hotel and office buildings and production of consumer goods for sale to the domestic market.

"Up to now, local authorities have ignored Beijing's orders

## Chinese make money from protest

PEKING, June 2. (Reuters): As students in Beijing busily debunk China's supreme leader Deng Xiaoping, some other residents are finding ways to make money out of the protest.

Photographers, pancake cooks and beer vendors all complain that Deng is to blame for China's political stagnation, but they have obviously taken the theme of his economic reforms, "to get rich is glorious," very much to heart.

In Tiananmen Square, the heart of Chinese communism, vendors wander among ramshackle tents bursting with students who will soon enter the fourth week of a pro-democracy sit-in.

"I think this demonstration is a great thing, and when I bring the money home my wife does too," said a street vendor who was doing a roaring trade in pancakes at 2.30 am.

In a show of solidarity with the students, he had lowered his prices from 80 fen to 60 (20 cents to 16). "But it really doesn't matter because I'm selling twice as many. That's still a higher profit."

Even the state is getting in on the act. A state-run photo booth, in quieter times catering to tourists visiting the mausoleum of former leader Mao Tse-tung which graces one side of the square, now offers to take pictures of visitors standing next to the "Goddess of Democracy".

The giant plaster and polystyrene statue, resembling New York's Statue of Liberty and put up by students to boost flagging morale, has been much criticised by the Communist Party.

Other photographers are up on university campuses selling pictures they took during stirring demonstrations last month, which saw a million students and workers marching through the streets of the capital.

"We were too busy fighting for democracy to be taking pictures, and hardly any of us have cameras anyway," said a student at People's University, choosing his pictures.

Lai Muxiang said he was selling around 500 pictures a day. At 40 fen (10 cents) profit per picture, he is earning more every day than the average urban worker makes in a month.

Others believed the pickings among thirsty students in the square were rich enough to warrant rising fines.

One soft-drink vendor, with no licence to sell in Tiananmen Square, said police had fined him twice in one day.

A third fine would take the total to 60 yuan (\$16), wiping out his profits for the day, but he was prepared to take the gamble.

and approved such projects. Will the new government be stricter? If so, this will affect foreign investment. Will Guangdong and Fujian have the freedom they have enjoyed up to now?" he asked.

Both provinces have been given preferential treatment, enabling their economic growth to outpace the rest of the country, in part because of encouragement from Zhao, who was a senior official in Guangdong from 1955-67 and 1974-75.

Chinese and foreign analysts said there were question marks over the whole economy and stagnation was possible. Diplomats and many Chinese believe that Premier Li Peng has so far retained his post in the power struggle and may become the main architect of economic policy.

"Li is a mediocre man," another diplomat said. "He is good at wheeling and dealing, but not substance. He is not interested in economy or management but engineering. He does not have Zhao's vision."

## Yugoslav inflation hits 600pc

### Economic blow

BELGRADE, June 2. (Reuters): Yugoslav authorities, grappling with fresh ethnic Albanian unrest in the southern province of Kosovo, suffered an economic blow today with official data showing that inflation hit 600 per cent in May.

The Federal Bureau of Statistics said annual inflation rocketed by a monthly record of 111.5 percentage points to stand at 601.6 per cent, compared with 490.1 per cent in April. In May 1988, inflation was 149 per cent.

The setback coincided with a strike by 3,500 shipyard workers in the Adriatic port of Split and other industrial disputes, which represented the first major labour challenge to Prime Minister Ante Markovic since he took office in March.

Markovic's government predicted this week that inflation would reach 945 per cent for the whole of 1989. But some Yugoslav and Western economists say it may soar above 1,000 per cent and a significant drop will not come until next year.

The inflation figures were released three days after police shot dead an ethnic Albanian nationalist in a gun battle in the Kosovo town of Podujevo. It was the first violence in Kosovo since 24 people were killed in riots in March.

In Pristina, the Kosovo capital, reporters said there had been no disturbances since police fired tear-gas on Wednesday to disperse hundreds of student demonstrators who occupied the university campus.

The unrest flared after Kosovo, a province with about 1.7 million ethnic Albanians and 200,000 Serbs and other Slavs, was forced to give up the political autonomy it had enjoyed since 1974 to Serbia, the biggest of Yugoslavia's six republics.

Yugoslavia's efforts to concentrate on economic reform have also been hampered by prolonged quarrels between Serbia and the northern republics of Slovenia and Croatia, which accuse Serbia of interfering in their internal affairs.

Apart from the runaway inflation, Yugoslavia is burdened with a foreign debt of at least \$21 billion, 16 per cent unemployment, low productivity in many industries and a currency which loses value almost daily.

The dinar was quoted today at more than 14,300 to the dollar, compared with 10,500 a month ago and about 1,900 a year ago. Economists say a new 100,000-dinar banknote which appeared this week will soon have to be replaced by an even larger bill.

Markovic, a Croat who advocates market-based policies, has refused to introduce curbs on wages and prices. He says this may increase inflation in the short term but it will gradually force companies to discipline themselves to avoid bankruptcy.

The former government of Branko Mikulic, who resigned in December in a parliamentary showdown over inflation, provoked strikes and street demonstrations by workers when he tried to impose wage restrictions.

from the 24-nation organisation pledged to fight inflation and to adjust policies to reduce large imbalances in world trade and promote lasting growth.

But the meeting was dominated by the trade row.

"No country should attempt to rewrite unilaterally and for its own benefit the multilateral rules," British Chancellor of the Exchequer Nigel Lawson told ministers.

"Let us not forget that the United States also has policies which restrict to her markets."

Canadian Trade Minister John Crosbie was in no doubt the wording of the communiqué would be clearly felt in Washington.

"There has been a lot of pressure here and outside that opposes the kind of

## Pakistan's economic growth falters

ISLAMABAD, June 2. (Reuters): Pakistan's economic growth faltered over the past year and its trade deficit moved deeper into the red, the Finance Ministry said yesterday.

But foreign money is flowing in faster than ever, partly in response to the return to democracy in late 1988 after 11 years of military rule, it said in its annual economic survey.

The report, covering the 1988/89 financial year ending on June 30, was published two days before Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto's government presents its first full budget to Parliament on Saturday.

It estimated gross domestic product will have grown by 5.1 per cent, short of the target of 6.9 per cent and the previous year's figure of 6.2 per cent.

Agriculture produced a respectable 6.1 per cent growth, up from 2.7 per cent the previous year. But manufacturing performed poorly, showing growth of only 3.1 per cent against 10 per cent in 1987/88.

The early part of the (financial) year was dominated by political uncertainties which marred the overall performance of the economy," the survey said.

Former military President Mohammad Zia-ul-Haq sacked his civilian government in May 1988 and was killed in a plane crash in August. Benazir won the subsequent elections in November.

The Finance Ministry also cited ethnic riots in the biggest city Karachi and heavy autumn flooding which damaged crops in the richest province, Punjab.

"In the midst of these setbacks, this overall growth appears satisfactory," it said.

But the survey also pointed at some of the underlying weaknesses of the Pakistani economy. Population growth continued unabated at 3.1 per cent a year and the literacy level was low, while education claimed a mere 2.7 per cent of gross national product and health care 0.92 per cent.

Pakistan's external finances received a "terms of trade shock" as the unit value of its exports fell nearly five per cent, the survey said. Cotton, the biggest single export, lost 21 per cent of its unit value between last July and March.

The visible trade deficit rose to \$2.7 billion from 2.6 billion the previous year.

The amount of money sent home by Pakistanis working abroad continued its six-year decline, falling to \$1.9 billion from two billion last year.

The current account deficit rose \$300 million to 1.9 billion in 1988/89 from 1.6 billion in 1987/88.

But foreign aid donors came up with a healthy \$2.4 billion. This compared to 1.8 billion the previous year and was well above the expected figure of 1.9 billion.

"Pakistan's aid donors have demonstrated their support to the new democratic order in Pakistan," said the survey, signed by Minister of State for Finance Ihsan-ul-Haq Piracha.

Helped by this, and an International Monetary Fund loan, foreign currency reserves, near crisis levels last autumn, were relatively healthy.

At the end of April they were \$675 million, enough to pay for almost five weeks of imports.

## Trade surplus may not improve much in '89

### Slower growth for Japan

TOKYO, June 2. (Reuters): Japan's current account surplus unexpectedly dropped six per cent in April because of strong imports, but economists still see little prospect this year in reducing the country's huge and obstinate trade gap.

Although imports were healthy in April, slower growth for the Japanese economy will mean purchases of foreign goods are unlikely to pick up much in later months, economists said.

"It will be difficult for import growth to keep rising strongly," said Seiji Nagano, an economist at Yasuda Trust and Banking.

The surplus in April in the current account, the measure of trade in both goods and services, dropped to \$6.48 billion from 6.88 billion a year earlier.

Many economists had anticipated the current account would climb above \$7 billion.

The trade surplus in goods alone fell to \$8.12 billion from 8.48 billion a year earlier as exports rose 3.6 per cent to \$22.80 billion while imports climbed 8.4 per cent to 14.67 billion.

"Those were quite good figures," said economist Matthew Berlow at Credit Lyonnais. Alexanders Laing and Cruickshank Securities.

"Declines came not only for current account but also trade."

But for 1989, he forecasts the Japanese current account imbalance down only to \$75 billion from 79 billion last year.

"Although higher crude oil prices could help imports over the coming months, other items are not showing good growth," said Soichi Enkyo, an economist at the Bank of Tokyo.

The recent trend towards expanding exports has also continued, he said. "So we cannot expect steady improvement of the balance of payments surplus."

Nagano said imports of many specialty items have started to slow and that the recent weakness of the yen has made dollar-based prices of overseas goods higher for Japanese.

The current account data also showed that Japanese bought a net \$16.24 billion in long-term securities against 10.21 billion a year earlier. Most of this money flowed into overseas bonds.

The buying was heavy because the new Japanese financial year began in April and institutional investors had new money to put to work. Enkyo said. The stronger dollar also encouraged investors to look for foreign exchange gains while accruing interest on US bonds, he added.

"It was a good environment for investing in US securities," Enkyo said. This trend continued in May as the dollar moved even higher against the yen, he added.

Spending by Japanese tourists abroad helped boost the invisible trade deficit to \$1.41 billion from 1.02 billion a year earlier.

That account should be even higher in May, when a series of holidays allowed many more Japanese to travel overseas, one economist said.

On a seasonally adjusted basis, the current account surplus rose from \$6.12 billion in March to 6.21 billion in April, while the trade overhang widened from 7.13 billion to 7.36 billion.

## SHIPPING MOVEMENTS

SHIPS DISCHARGING AT SHUWAIKH PORT AS ON 30/05/1989				
B.No.	Ships Name	Agent	Tel. No.	
1	Trade Nomad	Algh. Barwil	4843988	
3	Amara	Al Sawan	4746018	
4	Sea Gilder	M. Bahar	2433881	
5	Fatima	ISA	2441860	
6	Sanko Coral	Salmiah	4745471	
7	Nikolay Morozov	Al Rashid	2422026	
8	Sham	ISA	2441860	
9	Hyundai	Gh. Qutub	4347815	
14	Sea Jade	Gh. & Qutub	4347815	
18	Nimrod	Algh. Barwil	4843988	

SHIPS EXPECTED AT SHUWAIKH PORT				
ETA	Ships Name	Agent	Tel. No.	
31/5	Zarka	Gh. Qutub	4347815	
1/6	Husi	Al Sawan	4746018	

SHIPS DISCHARGING AT SHUAIBA PORT				
B.No.	Ships Name	Agent	Tel. No.	
2	General Lukban	Arabian Seas	2421303	
3	Sally	Sager Shaheen	2432692	
9	Glory Cape	Algh. Barwil	4843988	
10	Wan Ling	Roger	2423642	
14	Ionian Wind	Algh. Barwil	4843988	
18	Tackler Dosinia	Al Kamal	2425437	

SHIPS EXPECTED AT SHUAIBA PORT				
ETA	Ships Name	Agent	Tel. No.	
30/5	Al Majed	MA Bahar	2433881	
29/5	Tackler Dosinia	Al Kamal	2425437	
2/6	Al Wajba	UASC	4843150	
2/6	Q.I.A. Al-Fuja	UASC	4843150	
3/6	Al Wattyah	UASC	4843150	
3/6	Ascona	Algh. Barwil	4843988	
4/6	Glory Sky	ISA	2441860	
4/6	Malak	Roger	2423642	
4/6	Hercules	B.B. Hassan	2435537	
4/6	Marvia	Al Kamal	2425437	
5/6	Efy N	Gh. Qutub	4347815	
7/6	Far East Beauty	M. Bahar	2433881	
12/6	Al Isha	UASC	4843150	

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## UK not facing sterling crisis

PARIS, June 2. (Reuters): British Chancellor of the Exchequer Nigel Lawson said today his country was not facing a sterling crisis and called the pound's recent decline on foreign exchange markets a reflection of dollar market turbulence.

"I think there has been a lot of exaggeration ... it is basically a dollar phenomenon," he told a news conference at the annual meeting of the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) in Paris.

Asked about the pound's slide from more than \$1.80 on January 3 to just below \$1.56 earlier this week and a decision last week to raise British banks' base lending rates by one percentage point to 14 per cent, Lawson said:

"The markets are very calm today and I have no particular comment to make."

Sterling traded at \$1.5725 by mid-afternoon, from an opening 1.5740.

"We have seen a surge in the dollar for some time and whenever you get that, that creates a certain amount of turmoil in the markets and ... there was some selling of sterling," he said.

Asked specifically if Britain was facing a sterling crisis, he said "no."

He was also asked about a West German central bank decision on Thursday not to raise domestic interest rates, but replied such action was purely up to the Bundesbank.

Lawson said last week's British rate rise was taken because of sterling's slide, adding:

"You cannot be indifferent to the level of the exchange rate. We have never been (indifferent) through the whole of the period we have been in office, nor has any government."

He said the British economy was slowing, with consumer spending lower and the housing market particularly subdued. "It is not merely an adequate slowing down, but a slowing down of the right shape and right form."



## KTV I weekly highlights

- SATURDAY**
- 9.30 Ifah Ya Sinsim: Children programme (Part 1)
- 10.15 Hikayat Sakhina: Arabic serial (Part 1), starring Ayeda Abdul Aziz, Hala Sudqi, Jamal Ismail, Zahrat Al Olla, and Ahmad Abdul Wareh.
- 11.20 Al Theeb Wa Oyoan Al Madina: Arabic serial (Part 1), starring, Khaleel Shawqi, Seham Al Sabti, Hind Kamel, Sami Abdul Rahman.
- 12.15 Min Aji Ghoda: Arabic serial (Part 1), starring Ihsan Sadeq, Meeshal Thabet, Saad Rashdan, Badr Haddad.
- 1.30 Faloona: Cartoon serial
- 2.15 Abu Awwad: Arabic serial (Part 1), starring Nabeel Al Mshenei, Abeer Issa, Rabee' Shihab, and Rasheeda Al Dajani.
- 3.05 Mawsoot Al Sona Al Nabawiya: Religious programme
- 3.30 Bibi Foot and Calimiro: Cartoon serial
- 4.00 Boleena: Foreign feature film
- 7.30 Noor Al Islam: Religious programme
- 9.45 Layali Al Hilmiya: Arabic daily serial (Part 21)
- 10.35 Al Riyah Qadema: Arabic late night feature film, starring Jameel Rateb, Yusra, Mohammed Wafeq
- SUNDAY**
- 9.15 Sabah Al Khair variety and news summary
- 10.15 Hikayat Sakhina: Arabic serial (Part 2)
- 11.15 Al Theeb Wa Oyoan Al Madina: Arabic serial (Part 2)
- 12.15 That's Incredible: Foreign programme
- 1.30 Faloona: Cartoon serial
- 2.15 Abu Awwad: Arabic serial (Part 2)
- 4.00 Meen Fina Al Harami: Arabic feature film, starring Adel Imam, Sherihan, Ahmad Bodair and Salah Nazmi
- 6.00 Quran Stories: Children serial (Part 1), starring, Muhsein Sarhan, Mohammed Al Defrawi, Wafa' Shihab
- 7.30 Al Majala Al Ziraiya: Local programme
- 10.45 Al Moosiqar Wa Ana: Variety programme with guest artist, Mohammed Abdul Wahab, presented by Mofeed Hilmi
- MONDAY**
- 9.30 Ifah Ya Sinsim: Children programme
- 10.00 Magazine D'Actualite
- 12.35 Cultural film

- 1.05 The World News via Satellite
- 3.30 Cartoon serial
- 4.00 Meerath Al Sineen: Religious historical stories (Part 1)
- 5.45 Al Aftal Wa Al Sif
- 7.00 Cultural programme (Tomorrow's World)
- 8.30 Omsiyat Al Ithacen: Local Programme, prepared and presented by Mohammed Al Barjis
- 10.00 Layali Al Hilmiya: Daily Arabic serial (Part 23)
- 10.45 Bayna Al Sama' Wa El Ard: Arabic feature film, starring Mahmood Al Mileel, Hindi Rustum, and Abdul Minam

- TUESDAY**
- 9.30 Cartoons
- 10.05 Hikayat Sakhina: Arabic serial (Part 4)
- 12.05 Sabah Al Khair and news summary
- 12.15 Hikayat Ma'a Al Nojoom: Variety programme, guest star Faten Hamama
- 1.05 The World News via Satellite
- 1.30 Faloona: Cartoon serial
- 2.15 Abu Awwad: Arabic serial (Part 4)
- 3.00 Mawsoot Al Sona Al Nabawiya: Religious programme
- 4.00 Fatat Tahta Al Ikhtiyar: Arabic feature, starring Hala Fuad, Khalid Zaki, and Husain Al Sharbune
- 7.55 Cultural film

- 10.45 Cultural programme (Ithimlat), presented by Sabah Jaeni, Ayman Zaidan, and Ala' Al Deen Kokash. Starring, Assad Fidha, Malik Sukar, and Hani Al Roomani.
- WEDNESDAY**
- 9.30 Ifah Ya Sinsim: Children programme
- 10.15 Hikayat Sakhina: Daily Arabic serial (Part 5)
- 11.15 Al Theeb Wa Oyoan Al Madina: Arabic serial (Part 5)
- 12.30 Circus: Foreign variety programme
- 3.30 Bibi Foot and Calimiro: Football match, Brazil vs West Germany (the Golden Cup of 1981)
- 6.00 Lila Min Alf Lila: Children programme
- 7.00 Ma'a Al Talaba: Local programme
- 8.30 Lawhat Shabiya
- 10.45 Mahafat Badawiya: Mahakim Bila Sojoon, Arabic feature film

- THURSDAY**
- 9.30 Cartoons
- 12.05 Local Variety programme
- 1.00 News Summary
- 1.30 Faloona: Cartoon serial
- 4.00 Al Wahm: Local film, starring Hayat Al Fahad, Ahmad Al Saleh, Maseed Awwad, and Ibrahim Al Harbi
- 7.30 Looking for Adventure: Cultural film
- 8.30 Ma'a Al Islam: Religious programme

- 10.00 Illi Ma'a Qersh: Daily Arabic serial (Part 1), starring Ahmad Bodair, Mahmood Al Jondi, Sahar Rami, and Mamdooh
- 11.00 Tarweeth Al Rajool: Arabic feature film, starring Karam Motaw, Ragha, Mohammed Ridha and Raja Al Jidawi
- 12.30 Ikhtarna Lakom

- FRIDAY**
- 10.15 Majalat Al Aftal: Local children programme
- 10.45 Al Ahadeeth Al Mawduhoos: Religious programme
- 11.15 Friday prayers: Live from the Grand Mosque Alwan: Variety programme
- 1.30 Istirahat Al Joma: Variety programme
- 4.00 Ighnam Zamanak: Local play, starring Abdul Mesin Abdul Ridha, Khaled Al Nafisi, Saad Abdullah, Ayesha Ibrahim, Husain Saleh, and Mohammed Jaber
- 7.00 Al Kuwait Fi Osboos: Weekly documentary programme
- 8.00 Al Osra: Local programme
- 10.00 Wrestling
- 10.45 Kalimat Dhif Al Barnamij: Variety programme, today's guest Kamal Al Shinaawi

## TELEVISION PROGRAMMES

## KTV 1

- 9.15 Sabah Al Khair
- 9.20 Varieties
- 9.30 Ifah Ya Sinsim: Children programme (Part 1)
- 10.15 Hikayat Sakhina: Arabic serial (Part 1), starring Ayeda Abdul Aziz, Hala Sudqi, Jamal Ismail, Zahrat Al Olla, Ahmad Abdul Wareh.
- 11.00 News Summary
- 11.10 Varieties
- 11.20 Al Theeb Wa Oyoan Al Madina: Arabic Serial (Part 1), Starring Khaleel Shawqi, Silham Al Sabti, Hind Kamel, Sami Abdul Rahman
- 12.05 News Summary
- 12.15 Min Aji Ghoda: Arabic Serial (Part 1), Starring Ihsan Sadeq, Meeshal Thabet, Saad Rashdan and Bader Haddad
- 1.00 News Summary
- 1.30 Faloona: Cartoon serial
- 2.00 Varieties
- 2.15 Abu Awwad: Arabic Serial (Part 1), Starring Nabeel Al Mshini, Abeer Issa, Rabee' Shuhab, Rashida Al



A scene from Mickey and Donald on KTV 2 at 6.10 pm today.

- 3.05 Mawsoot Al Sona Al Nabawiya: Religious programme.
- 3.30 Bibi Foot and Calimiro: cartoon serial
- 4.00 Boleena: Foreign feature film
- 6.00 Al Fanan Al Sagheer: local programme
- 7.00 Varieties
- 7.30 Noor Al Islam: Religious programme
- 8.15 Al Amn Wa El Muwatan: local programme
- 9.00 News in Arabic
- 9.45 Layali Al Hilmiya: daily Arabic serial (Part 21)
- 10.35 Al Riyah Qadema: Arabic late night feature film starring Jameel Rateb, Yusra, Mohammed Tawfeeq
- 12.15 News Summary & Cutdown
- oil reserves; internal combustion and motors.
- 7.00 Out of the World: "Princess Evie". Evie wins the heart of Prince Cornelius, who pays a visit to the restaurant.
- 7.30 Animals of Africa: A look at an animal that looks like the kangaroo.
- 8.00 News in English
- 8.40 Our House: "Candles and Shadows." A family show, it revolves around an American family and their relationship with their neighbours.
- 9.40 Reaching for the Skies: "Rivals Over the Atlantic." The US and Britain compete with each other to gain supremacy in the manufacture of jumbo jets.
- 10.30 Saturday Night Movie: "Special Bulletin." Drama about a TV news team held hostage in Charleston by nuclear fanatics.
- 12.30 News Summary/Magazine D'Actualite/Cutdown

## KTV 2

- 6.00 Holy Quran
- 6.10 Mickey and Donald: cartoon series
- 6.30 Not Another Science Show: "V Room." A look at underground

## NIGHT CHEMIST

- Kuwait
- Al Alamiya Pharmacy Jandol Bldg., Fahd Al Salem St.
- Al Sharq Al Jedid Souk Safat, Opp. Science Museum
- Hawalli and Nagra. Al Kuwait Pharmacy Qotaiba St., Nagra
- Salmiya and Rumailhiya
- Al Raed Pharmacy Amman St.
- Fahad and Ahmad Sadaf Pharmacy Makkah St.
- Farwaniya
- Al Madinah Pharmacy Shumali St.
- Jahra
- Al Zahra New Commercial Market

## CINEMA TODAY

- Al Andalus
- Beetle Juice
- Starring: Michael Keaton, Ila Baldwin, Gina Davis
- Al Salmiya
- Al Hasna Wal Wahoush (Arabic drama)
- Al Hamra
- Suspect
- Starring: Dennis Quaid, Cher
- Drive-In
- Haarat Al Habab (Arabic)
- Starring: Yunus Shalabi, Saeed Saleh, Najwa Fuad
- Al Firdous
- Gunahon Ka Faisla (Hindi)
- Starring: Shatrughna Sinha, Dimple Kapadia
- Fahad and Nagra
- Daav Pech (Hindi)
- Al Fahad
- 1921 (Malayalam)

## PRAYERS

Fajr	3.15 am
Zuhr	11.36
Asr	3.20 pm
Maghreb	6.44
Isha	8.15

## This week on KTV 2

- SATURDAY**
- 6.00 Holy Quran
- 6.10 Mickey and Donald: cartoon series
- 6.30 Not Another Science Show: "V Room." A look at underground oil reserves; internal combustion and motors.
- 7.00 Out of the World: "Princess Evie." Evie wins the heart of Prince Cornelius, who pays a visit to the restaurant.
- 7.30 Animals of Africa: A look at an animal that looks like the kangaroo.
- 8.00 News in English
- 8.40 Our House: "Candles and Shadows."
- 9.40 Reaching for the Skies: "Rivals Over the Atlantic." The US and Britain compete with each other to gain supremacy in the manufacture of jumbo jets.
- 10.30 Saturday Night Movie: "Special Bulletin." Drama about a TV news team held hostage in Charleston by nuclear fanatics. Much of the story centres around the TV coverage of the event and how the local news anchors negotiate with the protesters on the one hand and calm their viewing audience on the other. Starring: Ed Flanders, Kathryn Walker, David Chenon, David Rasche, Christopher Allopport. Director: Ed Zwick. Duration: 104 minutes.
- 12.30 News Summary/Magazine D'Actualite/Cutdown.
- SUNDAY**
- 6.00 Holy Quran
- 6.10 Demos the Menace: cartoon serial
- 6.30 Bellamy: Start of new series
- 7.00 In the Wild: tonight's documentary examines pollution's threat to wildlife in Australia.
- 7.30 Sea Hunt: "Amigo." Dr Mike and his daughter try to save an ancient cave and its treasures.
- 8.40 News in English
- 8.40 Murder, She Wrote: "A Little Night Work." Jewellery is stolen from a hotel room; followed by a crime. The police seek Jessica's help to solve the crime. Starring: Angela Lansbury. "City Dwellers." A look at falcions and falconry in California.
- 10.00 You Can't Take It With You: "Grandpa's Two Suits." Morgan is not too happy with the destruction of his clothes.
- 10.30 Best-Seller: "Nancy Wake." Set in World War II, it tells the story of an Australian journalist who supports the French resistance movement against the German occupation forces.
- 12.00 News Summary/Magazine D'Actualite/Cutdown.
- MONDAY**
- 6.00 Holy Quran
- 6.10 Bionic Six: cartoon series
- 6.30 Wild America: "Controversial Coyote." A look at coyote, considered to be an intelligent animal.
- 7.00 Roving Report: weekly roundup of world and regional affairs.
- 7.30 Charles-In-Charge: "Mr Brilliant." Charles attempt to please his



A scene from Captain Power on KTV 2 at 6.30 pm on Tuesday.

- employer becomes a nightmare.
- 8.00 News in English
- 8.40 Paradise: "Devil's Canyon." Willie plots to kidnap Clara and marry her under duress.
- 9.30 227: "Rapture." Calvin is poor in studies and Mary, Rose and Lester take turns to brush up his knowledge ... Comedy.
- 10.00 Alfred Hitchcock Presents: "Hunted." This two part series, it tells the story of a dejected man who wants to take revenge. In Part One, he vows revenge and takes a woman hostage. Thriller.
- 10.30 French Series: One Cop, One Judge. "Flamboyant Neuf."
- 12.00 News Summary/Magazine D'Actualite/Cutdown
- TUESDAY**
- 6.00 Holy Quran
- 6.10 The Pink Panther and Son: cartoon series
- 6.30 Captain Power: episode 9. Captain Power and his team discover strong energy readings on Captain Dread's radio.
- 7.00 Documentary
- 8.00 News in English
- 8.40 The Fourth Arm: The head of the team of secret agents attempts to resign, but his resignation is rejected.
- 9.30 Mutual of Omaha: "The Land of the Links." A look at wildlife surrounding the lakes of Canada.
- 10.00 Everything's Relative: "The Mom Who Came to Dinner." Julian and Scott invite their mother to stay with them after a burglary attempt in her home.
- 10.30 Midnight Caller: Radio host Kilian interviews a man sentenced to death. Public opinion is strong for and against the death sentence.
- 11.30 News Summary/Magazine D'Actualite/Cutdown

## zine D'Actualite/Cutdown

- WEDNESDAY**
- 6.00 Holy Quran
- 6.10 The Racoon: a look at how dogs are used in searching for people trapped under snow; and a feature on a "dog who serves guests in a restaurant."
- 7.00 Danger Bay: "Its Jungle In There." Jonah's friendship with a French girl turns into a passionate battle after Zuzette learns of his involvement.
- 7.30 Body Matters: "On Your Knees." Tonight's episode examines the function of the knee in the human body.
- 8.00 News in English
- 8.40 You and the Law: presented by Ali Noor.
- 8.50 Sonny Spoon: Sonny is involved in another interesting case. Action. The Cosby Show: "Move It."
- 10.00 Just for the Record: An Australian show on record holders.
- 10.30 Late Night Movie
- 12.00 News Summary/Magazine D'Actualite/Cutdown
- THURSDAY**
- 6.00 Holy Quran
- 6.10 Denver: cartoon serial
- 6.30 The New Mickey Mouse Club: tonight, a fairy tale about the magic bean plant and the imprisoned princess is retold by the MM Club viewers.
- 7.00 Minsters Today: "Hermann: the Astronaut."
- 7.30 T.N.T.: "Killing Time." Turner and Amy are on the alert after a killer returns to town. Starring: Mr. T. Action.
- 8.00 News in English
- 8.40 Beauty and the Beast: Catherine has to find a way to save a woman,

who was involved in an accident and is wanted by the law.

- 9.30 Paul Daniel's Magic Show
- 10.30 Thursday's Feature: "Odds and Evens." Starring: Terence Hill, Bud Spencer.
- 12.00 News Summary/Magazine D'Actualite/Cutdown
- FRIDAY**
- 4.00 Holy Quran
- 4.10 Centurions: cartoon serial
- 4.30 Italian Football
- 5.30 American Basketball
- 6.30 Inter Bang: Episode 11. "Williner is arrested; and Gianni and Bruno find the message they were looking for."
- 7.00 Once a Hero: "Things Get Ugly." Brad plans to fight against Mr Justice, who has regained power.
- 8.00 News in English
- 8.30 Breaking Away: A look at entertainment at the sea clubs in Kuwait.
- 8.50 Sable: "Evangelist." A woman dies in an orphanage; everyone suspect suicide but Sable suspects foul play and investigates.
- 9.30 The Charming: "The Birth of a Salesman." Eric joins a firm as a carpet salesman and is unable to stick to the rules of salesmanship. Comedy.
- 10.00 Tales from the Other Side: "The Odds." Who is the dead and the living of the two friends, opposing each other, in a game of death?
- 10.30 Blue Blood: "Deja Vu." Private Eye Henry takes a holiday in Italy; and gets involved in helping a public in trouble.
- 11.30 News Summary/Magazine D'Actualite/Cutdown

## WHAT'S ON

## ARTS

- Kuwait Science Museum**
- OPEN Saturday to Wednesday, 8-9 pm only. Natural history exhibits from in and around Kuwait, including blue whale. Closed on Thursday and Friday.
- Islamic Arts Museum**
- SAT - Thurs: 9 am to 12 noon and 7.00 to 10.00 pm. Collection includes rare Islamic artefacts, Quranic manuscripts; ceramics, carpets and marine equipment. Arabian Gulf St.
- Sadu House**
- SAT - Thurs: 9 am to 12 noon, 7 to 10 pm. Exhibits include bedouin handicrafts - rugs, saddle bags, cushions and textiles. Closed on Friday.

## MUSIC

- Piano and Flute Concert**
- JUNE 3: Pianist Michael Beissenhirtz and flutist Ulrike Beissenhirtz are having a concert at the Terrace Room of the Kuwait International Hotel at 8.00 pm. KD5 per person. Reservations at: 2530000 ext. 8039/8040.
- Piano concert**
- JUNE 7 at 7.30 pm: Famous Turkish pianist Ms Arin Karamursel will give a performance at the Ballroom 'A' of the Kuwait Sheraton. Tickets are KD5 per person followed by a reception. For reservation contact 2422055 ext 104/107/109.

## Musical evening

- JUNE 9: Octave presents a grand musical evening comprising his songs from Hindi, Malayalam and Tamil films, at the Indian Arts Circle auditorium, Fumaites at 6.30 pm.
- At the Kuwait Plaza**
- TRADITIONAL Arabic music: The famous oud player, Fawzi Jamal entertains Plaza guests at the Noura Terrace with traditional Arabic music. He also sings the most known and celebrated songs of the good old days.
- International music: Italian, Eastern and American music played at Marcopolo restaurant. The new duo "Stan n Alice" are renowned for their versatility. Their music includes Russian jazz, pop, light rock. For reservations contact, 2438800, ext.760

## SOCIAL

- Contact**
- JUNE 3: The ladies information group. Contact, will hold its next meeting on Saturday, from 10am, at the Mesliah Beach Hotel. For details call 3720197; 4874513; 5388105.
- Cultural Association**
- JUNE 4: 10 am. The regular coffee morning will be held at the Holiday Inn. All German-speaking ladies, especially newcomers are welcome, and should make an effort to attend for before the summer holidays.
- Qabazard Dive Club**
- JUNE 11: The organisational meeting for a new

Qabazard Dive Club will be held at 7 pm at Qabazard Marine Company, Hamad Al Mubarak St., Salmiya to elect new officers. New members also welcome. For further details Tel: 5746579.

**Bangladesh get-together**

BANGLADESHI Engineers and architects in Kuwait will hold a get-together at the Hotel Plaza Ballroom on June 15 from 7.30 pm onwards. For details contact 4317145, 4718157 or 3713923.

**Narhthana**

JUNE 15, 6.30 pm: Narthana celebrates the Nehru Centenary year by staging a variety dance show at the Sharq Co-operative Society Hall. Classical and folk dances will be presented by 25 Narthana dance school students. For entry passes call 433-7608.

**Get-together**

JUNE 16: The Go-Go Club will be having a get-together at the Ramada Al Salem Hotel from 11 am onwards with Stepping Stones and Symphony in attendance. For details contact Raju 2412970 and Tony 2631826 after 3.30 pm.

**Fiesta Filipina**

JUNE 16: The Filipino Cultural Club will hold "Fiesta Filipina" to commemorate the 91st anniversary of the Philippine Republic on June 12. The show will give a glimpse of the Filipino heritage through songs and music. The show will be held at the Meridien Hotel, Al Jahra Ballroom. Highlights of the evening are an on-the-spot painting competition; lucky draw and exhibition.

Show plus dinner buffet costs KD 5 per person. For reservations contact the Philippine Embassy, Mabuhay Restaurant; the Philippine Gift Shop and Rainbow Restaurant (Fahadheel).

**Kuwait French School**

DR Romain C. Kern, adviser to the president of the Swiss Federation of Private Schools and participant on the Board of Evaluation of the European Private International Schools and Pedagogique adviser of various private schools in Switzerland especially College du Leman, Geneva, will have a meeting with the parents of the students of our Kuwait French School at Salmiya behind the Fire Brigade tomorrow at 6.00 pm, to discuss the various matters which are of interest to our students at an open door meeting. All are cordially invited to attend."

## THEATRE

**Konkani Drama**

JUNE 15/16 (4.00 pm): Nashibachoo Divo Paloulo, the MAR production's Konkani drama, directed by Prem Kumar to be staged at the Indian Arts Circle. For entry passes contact Raja Stores, tel: 2412970.

## HOTELS

**Kuwait International GARDEN POOL:** Kubli Khan Mongolian barbecue every Friday afternoon. Mix and match your lunch while it is prepared according to your

palate. Ext. 8006. La Patisserie: Serves Continental breakfast and afternoon tea. Kiwi cake is the cake of the week. Pianist in the evenings. Ext. 8014.

**Hungarian festival:** Upto June 1. Kitchen brigade from Budapest. Live entertainment by Gypsy Band and dancers. Tickets on sale at: 2530000/8039/8040.

**At the Holiday Inn**

AT the Coffee Shop: A sumptuous buffet for lunch or dinner for only KD4.750 for adults and half price per child.

**At the Vienna Cafe:** Delicious, luscious cakes and pastries, served with coffee, tea and juices with the Gharibian Trio providing music.

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## Audiences go wild over all-female band

## The Bangles: reluctant sex symbols of rock

By Judy Byrne

ALL-GIRL chart-toppers The Bangles are "the kind of women who drive men wild" — and that's official. But they are not at all pleased about it.

Their appearance on UK television's Top of the Pops singing their latest hit *Eternal Flame* actually started a prison riot at Bristol's Horfield jail.

When warders asked prisoners to turn the sound down, they went wild, smashing the TV set and light bulbs and damaging a table. A spokesman for the prison officers said: "It seems they like The Bangles and got carried away."

"I know they are the kind of women who drive men wild but you can't have this sort of thing."

The four will not be sorry to hear the offenders are to face disciplinary hearings. For, as their recording company CBS was quick to point out, they are pacifists and "would not be impressed that a fight had broken out over them."

But while not all their fans get so physical in their devotion, the group have built up a tremendous following on both sides of the Atlantic.

They were only the fifth all-girl group ever to hit the Number One spot in Britain with *Eternal Flame*, joining such illustrious company as *Baby Love* by the Supremes in 1964 and *When Will I See You Again* by the Three Degrees 10 years later.

*Mississippi* by Pussycat did it in 1976 and *Frankie* by Sister Sledge four years ago.

And while The Bangles were establishing their place in the record books and starting a prison riot in the UK, they were also postponing a planned British tour to fit in extra dates in the States where they were also at the top of the singles chart.

It seemed the only people with whom they were not over-popular were theatre bosses like Paul Latham at the Apollo in Manchester, who had already sold 2,000 of a possible 2,700 tickets for a show there when it was called off.

He said: "Suddenly they have a big hit in the States so they tear up the contract. It seems old-fashioned ideas like ethics take a back seat to the mighty dollar."

And, in their defence, female artists do have special problems making big bucks. It is an accepted — if unexplained — fact of music business life that women's albums sell well only when they

## ALL-FEMALE group The Bangles just can't help attracting a violent reaction. Men get over-amorous, feminists threaten them and prisoners watching them on TV started a near-riot.

have a hit single. So it does pay to promote when you are topping the charts. But it is difficult to be in two places at once.

Whether women musicians yet have equal earning power with men is not one of the biggest problems faced by The Bangles in their three years as chart-topping if reluctant sex symbols. Singer Susanna Hoffs says: "It is really weird how men go for us."

## Attacks

There have been sex attacks from male fans and death threats from jealous women. Obsessive devotees have proposed marriage and a gang of lesbians attacked the girls.

Bassist Micki Steele says: "At one concert in New Orleans, a guy jumped on stage and tried to have sex with me. He'd got a hammerlock on me before the security guard could get to me."

Micki also had a fan so devoted that he changed his name to hers. Another telephoned their record company to say he was to marry guitarist



The Bangles: a tremendous following on both sides of the Atlantic

Vicki Peterson next day. "He had been arranging the ceremony for weeks," she says.

Susanna says: "Women can be just as bad as men. Sometimes they get really mad. They threaten to kill you. Or they break down and that is almost as bad."

It was when they were staying at the luxury Janiak hotel in Amsterdam that the group ended up fleeing and locking themselves in their rooms after a demonstration by militant lesbians.

"Some of them recognized us and started shouting abuse," says Susanna. "They said we were pandering to men by wearing short skirts and singing love songs."

The girls invited the protestors to join them for a drink to talk over their differences. "That was our big mistake," says Susanna. "They soon forgot about feminism politics. One put her hand on my knee. Another put her arm

around Debbie."

So the four fled their rooms. Susanna and sisters Vicki and Debbie Peterson are three of the original four who got together in Susanna's garage in 1981. Susanna and Vicki are guitarists and singers and Debbie sings and plays drums.

"We exchanged tapes and talked about our favourite bands," says Susanna. "They were all vocal bands — the Hollies, the Beatles, the Beach Boys, the Byrds, the girl groups.

released their first full album. That's when the influential Rolling Stone magazine began to rave about their "Beatle-esque" vocal style.

But it was with their second album, *Different Light*, that The Bangles really exploded into the charts. Hit single followed hit single — *Manic Monday*, *If She Knew What She Wants*, *Walk Like an Egyptian*, *Walking Down Your Street*.

Even Los Angeles mayor Tom Bradley designated February 23, 1987, as "Bangles Day."

And in case anyone should try to suggest it had been an unrepeatable flash in the pan, they did it again with their third album, *Everything*.

They have sales running into millions and their videos have won awards. They have played in 70,000-seater stadiums as support for George Michael.

Clearly, there is more to The Bangles than the sexy image that is the inevitable first impression.

## Michael Damian tops US pop charts

NEW YORK, (AP): Michael Damian's *Rock On* hopped into the number one spot on Wednesday among best selling singles pop records in the United States. This hit disc was in third position a week ago.

*Soldier Of Love* by Donny Osmond climbed two notches to second place on the Cash Box magazine chart. Jody Watley's *Real Love* slipped to third after two weeks at number one.

Last week's number two hit, Paula Abdul's *Forever Your Girl*, toppled to sixth.

Soaring fast up the top 10 list was *Satisfaction* by Richard Marx, up from 12th to 7th.

Two other newcomers to the list were *Every Little Step* by Bobby Brown, up from 11th to 8th, and *I'll Be Loving You (Forever)* by New Kids On The Block, up from 14th to 10th.

Dwight Yoakam took over the top of the Cash Box magazine country-and-western singles chart with *I Got You*. Steve Wariner's *Where Did I Go Wrong* was second, and Randy Crowell's *After All This Time* was third.

And in London, *Ferry Cross The Mersey*, the 1960s hit re-recorded by Liverpool-born singers after 95 local soccer fans were killed in April topped the British pop singles chart for the third straight day.

Proceeds from the song, first recorded by Gerry and the Pacemakers in 1964, go to a fund set up after the Hillsborough stadium disaster.

This week's top 10 singles, as listed by Our Price Music Ltd., the national music retail chain, with last week's placings in parentheses:

1. (1) *Ferry Cross The Mersey* — Various Artists (PWL).
2. (2) *Miss You Like Crazy* — Natalie Cole (EMI-USA).
3. (8) *Manchild* — Neneh Cherry (Circus).
4. (12) *On The Inside* — Lynn Hamilton (A1).
5. (4) *Requiem* — London Boys (Tidec-WEA).
6. (-) *Express Yourself* — Madonna (Sire).
7. (3) *Hand On Your Heart* — Kylie Minogue (PWL).
8. (6) *Every Little Step* — Bobby Brown (MCA).
9. (5) *Bring Me Edelweiss* — Edelweiss (WEA).
10. (10) *Heylorn Halib* — Cappella (Music Man).

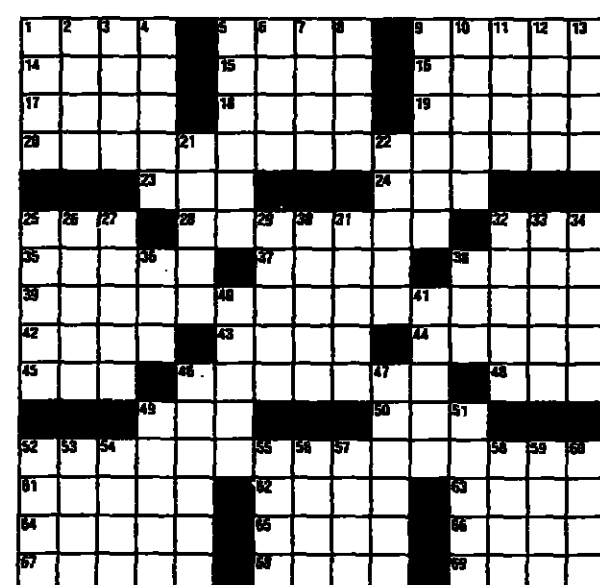
The top 10 pop singles, as rated by Cash Box magazine, with last week's positions in brackets:

1. (3) *Rock On* — Michael Damian (Cypress).
2. (4) *Soldier Of Love* — Donny Osmond (Capitol).
3. (1) *Real Love* — Jody Watley (MCA).
4. (6) *Patience* — Guns N' Roses (Geffen).
5. (8) *Wind Beneath My Wings* — Betty Middler (Atlantic).
6. (2) *Forever Your Girl* — Paula Abdul (Virgin).
7. (12) *Satisfaction* — Richard Marx (EMI).
8. (11) *Every Little Step* — Bobby Brown (MCA).
9. (5) *I'll Be There For You* — Bon Jovi (Mercury-Polygram).
10. (14) *I'll Be Loving You (Forever)* — New Kids On The Block.

The top 10 country-western singles, as rated by Cash Box magazine, with last week's positions in brackets:

1. (3) *I Got You* — Dwight Yoakam (Warner Brothers).
2. (4) *Where Did I Go Wrong* — Steve Wariner (MCA).
3. (1) *After All This Time* — Randy Crowell (Columbia).
4. (6) *The Gospel According To Luke* — Skip Ewing (MCA).
5. (7) *She Don't Love Nobody* — The Desert Rose Band (MCA-Curb).
6. (8) *I Don't Want To Spoil The Party* — Rosanne Cash (Columbia).
7. (2) *If I Had You* — Alabama (RCA).
8. (11) *Better Man* — Clint Black (RCA).
9. (5) *Is It Still Over?* — Randy Travis (Warner Brothers).
10. (9) *Young Love (Strong Love)* — The Judds (Curb-MCA).

## TODAY'S CROSSWORD



- ACROSS**
- 1 Coasters' thrills
  - 5 Declaim
  - 9 Deep-blue glass
  - 14 False god
  - 15 Put-in-Bay's lake
  - 16 Eagle's nest
  - 17 Blackthorn
  - 18 Raw sugar
  - 19 "Skittle Players" painter
  - 20 Beate's weather advisory
  - 23 Greek letter
  - 24 Guitarist Montgomery
  - 25 Holts
  - 28 Enlke folk
  - 32 Capp and Capone
  - 35 Palmer with an army
  - 37 One-time Wimbledon winner
  - 38 Let bang
  - 39 Beatles' weather report
  - 42 Famous cookie maker
  - 43 Mix drinks
  - 44 Carpenter's tool
  - 45 Knock
  - 46 Che's first name
  - 48 NYC time
  - 49 Assam silkworm
  - 50 Belonging to The Thing
  - 52 Beatles' weather comment
  - 61 Erect
  - 62 Depraved
  - 63 — straits
  - 64 Pond scum
  - 65 Rational
- DOWN**
- 6 Operatic solo
  - 7 Litters' littlet
  - 8 Winter vehicle
  - 9 Branch headquarters?
  - 10 — out (dispenses)
  - 11 Son of Zeus
  - 12 In — of (instead)
  - 13 Neighbor of Ken
  - 21 Checked out a robbery target
  - 22 Deck below the main deck
  - 25 "the Horrible"
  - 26 Kitchen lure
  - 27 Busybody
  - 29 Synthetic textile fiber
  - 30 Publish
  - 31 Wk. day
  - 32 Breathing
  - 33 Highway divisions
  - 34 Salmonlike food
  - 36 Freudian concepts
  - 38 That ship
  - 40 Calendar page
  - 41 Indolence
  - 46 Wears away
  - 47 Royal
  - 49 Mozart's Symphony #3
  - 51 Family car
  - 52 Construction piece
  - 53 Lollapalooza
  - 54 Wood: Prefix
  - 55 Minus
  - 56 Cricket field
  - 57 "Days of — and Roses"
  - 58 Father
  - 59 "Trinity" author
  - 60 Shipshape
- ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE:**
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**NORTH**  
♠ K Q 3  
♥ 10 9 3  
♦ A K Q 10 2  
♣ 10 8

**WEST**  
♠ J 9 6  
♥ Q 5 2  
♦ 7 6  
♣ J 9 7 6 2

**EAST**  
♠ A 5 4 2  
♥ J 7 6 4  
♦ Q 9 3  
♣ A Q 4

**SOUTH**  
♠ 10 8 7  
♥ A K 8  
♦ J 8 5 4  
♣ K 5 3

The bidding:  
South West North East  
Pass Pass 1 ♦ Pass  
2 NT Pass 3 NT Pass  
Pass Pass

Opening lead: Six of ♠  
Some bridge players are people-eaters—they cannibalize their partners by making life as difficult as possible for them at the table. But a partner who solves your problems for you is not only worth his weight in gold, but a sure winner.

As a passed hand, South's jump to two no trump showed a balanced 11-12 points. With his fine suit and

good intermediates, North had an easy raise to game.

West led the six of clubs, and East made the correct technical play of the queen. Declarer took his king and started to run diamonds. On the third round of diamonds, East discarded the ace of clubs!

Had East lost his mind? Far from it. From the Rule of 11, East could tell that declarer had only one card higher than the card led by West. Therefore, East knew his partner held both the jack and nine of clubs. He was afraid West might think declarer held the ace of clubs, and let go of one or more clubs. This defense was sure to defeat the contract.

But couldn't East have accomplished the same thing by rising with the ace of clubs and continuing with the queen? No! Declarer would simply hold up the king of clubs until the third round. As the cards lie, West has no fast entry, so declarer would have time to force out the ace of spades and come to nine tricks via one spade, two hearts, five diamonds and a club.

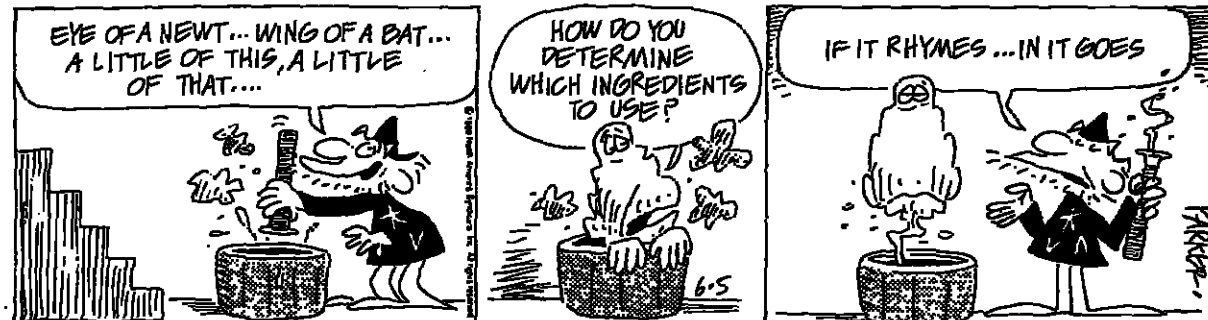
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## THE WIZARD OF ID

By Brant Parker and Johnny Hart



B.C.

By Johnny Hart



## YOUR STARS

- Aries (March 20 - April 18)**  
You should make sure you do not get in other people's way. Keep your wits very much about you. You will be tempted to eat too many sweet things and should resist. Be kind.
- Taurus (April 19 - May 19)**  
Try to think the best rather than the worst of other people. You will have more faith in yourself. It will be easier for you to do what has to be done. Be amenable.
- Gemini (May 20 - June 20)**  
If you make too many demands on others you will only succeed in antagonizing them. The Moon's better influence will help you to be more frugal. You should avoid acting on the spur of the moment. Be polite.
- Cancer (June 21 - July 21)**  
You must avoid leaving things until the last minute. You should not rely on guesswork and do check your facts are up to date. Do not say what you do not mean or make a promise you do not intend to keep. Be cordial.
- Leo (July 22 - Aug 21)**  
This is going to be a busy and interesting day for you. You should not allow your opinions stop you being interested in what others think on a subject. Keep your eyes open and listen attentively. Be sensible.
- Virgo (Aug 22 - Sept 21)**  
You are more liable to be misled, so take care. You are liable to get annoyed easily and should try to control yourself. Do not eat too much of something you enjoy. Be fair.
- Libra (Sept 22 - Oct 22)**  
You should not allow some small setback to discourage you altogether. Make sure you take sufficient care of your personal hygiene. Try a little harder to look on the bright side, not all is as gloomy as it might appear.
- Scorpio (Oct 23 - Nov 21)**  
You will have more confidence in yourself and must avoid becoming complacent. A new gadget will fascinate you and you should avoid becoming obsessed by it. You should try to relax, but that does not mean you should waste time.
- Sagittarius (Nov 22 - Dec 21)**  
The Moon's less favourable influence could well make you feel less sure of yourself. You should try to avoid doing anything that would limit your freedom of movement. Do your best to understand another person's point of view.
- Capricorn Dec 22 - Jan 19)**  
You should not allow some small setback to discourage you altogether. Make sure you take sufficient care of your personal hygiene. Try a little harder to look on the bright side, not all is as gloomy as it might appear.
- Aquarius (Jan 20 - Feb 18)**  
Pay a little more attention to your personal appearance. There will not be enough time to do all you would like to do, but you will be able to get a great deal done. Make sure you keep an electrical device in a good state of repair.
- Pisces (Feb 19 - March 19)**  
You should not be quite so critical of others and ought to show a little more goodwill. Do your best to avoid a stressful situation, instead seek to relax. Avoid blaming someone else for what you know quite well is your own fault.







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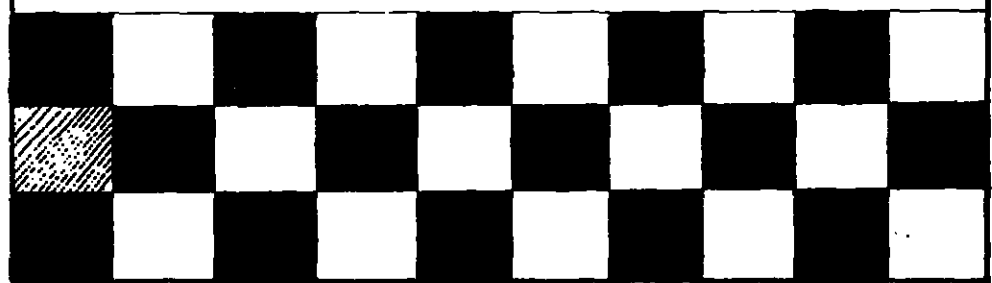
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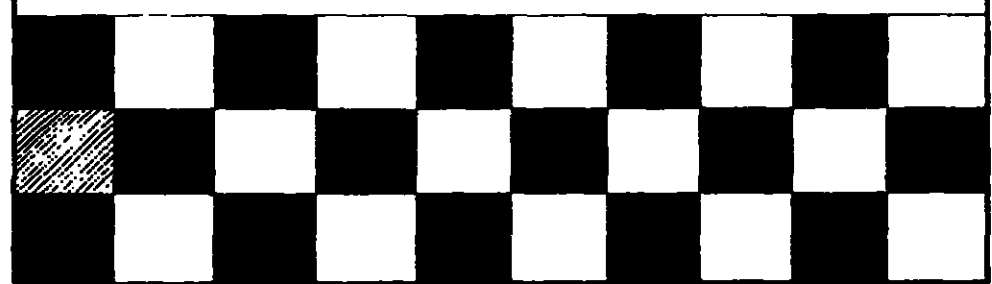
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## Essex reach Cup semifinals

Waugh turns defeat into victory

LONDON, June 2, (Reuters): Mark Waugh, twin brother of Australian Test all-rounder Steve, guided Essex into the semifinals of the Benson and Hedges Cup one-day cricket competition on Wednesday with an unbeaten 93 against Lancashire.

Waugh turned likely defeat into certain victory with his stylish 101-ball innings as Essex won by three wickets with 17 balls to spare in the 55-over match.

The home side were struggling at 13 for two chasing 247 when Waugh walked to the wicket. The Australian produced a glittering array of shots to add 158 in 31 overs with Brian Hardie (65) and set Essex up for their 11th consecutive one-day victory.

Phillip DeFreitas had earlier helped Lancashire to their respectable total with an unbeaten



Peter Roebuck

29 from 21 balls. He then dismissed fellow-England player Graham Gooch for one and Alan Lilley for 10 and should have had Hardie caught at gully when he had scored only four.

But Gehan Mendis dropped the sharp chance and the error was to haunt Lancashire as



Richard Ellison

Waugh and Hardie took command. Nasser Hussain hit a brilliant 118 for Combined Universities against Somerset but despite his efforts the students fell three runs short of a historic victory.

Hussain and Jon Longley (49) added 114 in 17 overs as Combined Universities set off after

Somerset's 253. But panic set in as Peter Roebuck followed up his fine innings of 102 with a spell of four for 19 and six wickets tumbled in as many overs.

All-rounder Richard Ellison was instrumental in Kent's 21-run victory over Northamptonshire with an unbeaten 23 and an excellent spell of swing bowling which saw him net three for 45.

Opener Chris Board pressed his claims for a Test recall with 106 before he was run out in Nottinghamshire's 222 for six against Gloucestershire.

Off-spinner Eddie Hemmings then captured four for 47 as Gloucestershire were bowled out for 217 in 54.3 overs.

**Results**  
At Taunton: Somerset beat Combined Universities by three runs. Somerset 252 for six

innings closed (P. Roebuck 102, J. Cook 61 M. Atherton four for 42). Combined Universities 249 for nine innings closed (N. Hussain 118, J. Longley 49).

At Northampton: Kent beat Northampton by 21 runs. Kent 208 for eight innings closed (M. Benson 55), Northamptonshire 187 for eight innings closed (G. Cook 46).

At Chelmsford: Essex beat Lancashire by three wickets. Lancashire 246 for nine innings closed (N. Fairbrother 47), Essex 250 for seven in 52.1 overs (M. Waugh 93, B. Hardie 65 Wasim Akram four for 54).

At Bristol: Nottinghamshire beat Gloucestershire by five runs. Nottinghamshire 222 for six innings (C. Broad 106 K. Curran four for 41), Gloucestershire 217 in 54.3 overs (W. Athey 54, J. Russell 44 E. Hemmings four for 47).

McLaren boss answers Prost's complaints

## Senna ready for duel in the heat

PHOENIX, June 2, (Reuters): World champion Ayrton Senna will show no mercy in his duel with McLaren team-mate Alain Prost when they go into opening practice for Sunday's United States Grand Prix.

The Brazilian world champion, seeking his fourth successive win and an increased lead in the race for the drivers' title, is an acknowledged expert on street circuits and is determined to make his superiority count in the first Grand Prix on the roads of downtown Phoenix.

"Phoenix is going to be difficult. It is a new circuit and the heat is going to be a problem," said Senna on his arrival in the city of cowboys, rattlesnakes and cacti.

Another win would not only establish him as a hot favourite to win the championship by mid-season, but would also further his ambition to become the greatest driver in Formula One history.

That title is currently owned by Argentine Juan-Manuel Fangio who was in Mexico last weekend to see Senna cruise to his 17th career win and third in succession.

Senna showed no emotion afterwards when asked if he believed he could overhaul Fangio's 1951-57 achievement. "To win the world championship five times will involve a lot of hard work," he replied in a deadpan voice.

"But, of course, I would like to try. It is my philosophy to try to win every race, to go as fast as I can."

"If I do that then the victories and the records will follow."

Senna said he felt no compassion for Prost's current uncertainty about his own driving — he has admitted he lacks aggression and made the wrong choice of tyres in Mexico — or his future.

"Compassion? Why does Alain need any compassion. He is twice world champion. He needs no compassion from me."

Besides there are several more races left for Alain to fight and see what he can do. Prost is believed to be considering his retirement after a decade at the top but would dearly love to add another win to his record of 35 victories in Formula One.

"I really need another win," he said. "It is not easy. Ayrton has done such a good job,

but hopefully I will be able to beat him soon." Prost's hopes could be realised on Sunday if he nurses his car carefully through 38 degrees Centigrade heat on a circuit where anyone who finishes is likely to be in the points.

A Prost win would be popular because it would keep alive interest in a title race being steadily strangled by the domination of the Honda-powered McLaren team.

Meanwhile McLaren managing director Ron Dennis yesterday admitted Prost had complained he was not receiving the same support from the team as Senna.

Dennis told a press conference on the eve of first qualifying practice that Prost had complained after last weekend's Mexican race.

"It is our policy as a team to give both our drivers the same equipment and support," said Dennis. "We are proud of that and are backed up in it by our partner Honda."

"We shall be looking into it seriously as a team and doing all we can to ensure both drivers have the same equipment. But it is not something about which we shall be having a public dialogue."



Dell'Aquila raises the champion's belt. (Reuters wirephoto)

## Italian clinches crown

CAMPIONE D'ITALIA, Italy, June 2, (Reuters): Francesco Dell'Aquila became Italy's youngest-ever European boxing champion on Wednesday after a split points decision against Andre Mongelema of France gave him the vacant middleweight title.

Dell'Aquila, 23, fighting only his 11th bout since turning professional in 1986, gained the verdict by a close 115-117, 118-114, 115-114 points margin after 12 evenly-matched rounds.

His victory brought to five the number of European titles currently held by Italian boxers, who now boast champions in the bantam, junior-welter, welter, cruiser and middle weight divisions.

Mongelema, 33 and unbeaten since 1986, started the stronger and more aggressive fighter and pummeled the Italian on the ropes briefly in the sixth round.

Dell'Aquila tired and lost heart in the middle rounds but picked up after the ninth when the Zaire-born Frenchman's left eye began to swell and close up from an earlier right jab.

Unable to co-ordinate his punches effectively, Mongelema was subjected to an aggressive assault in the final two rounds which swung the bout the Italian's way.

## Leonard, Hearn promote fight

NEW YORK, June 2, (Reuters): The four-month-long hustle to promote the Sugar Ray Leonard-Thomas Hearns middleweight fight brought out the US Marines and the mayor of Los Angeles yesterday as hype reached new heights.

Promoter Bob Arum got Los Angeles mayor Tom Bradley, in a press conference sent by satellite to several US cities as well as London, to trot out the theme of "The War". Arum has dubbed the scheduled 12-round fight on June 12,

(sold) what we would have expected," said Lou Falcigno, a closed-circuit promoter for the fight in the New York area.

It was not a surprise both fighters said they would win.

Leonard, who has held five world titles and last fought in November when he stopped Canadian Donny Lalonde to win the specially-designed World Boxing Council super middleweight title, said he would wait for Hearn's legs — very suspect in his last few fights — to desert him.

"There will come a time while Tommy Hearn's legs will say, 'hey Tommy, I don't know about you but I'm tired,'" the 32-year-old Leonard, 35-1, said.

## Court finally ends Tyson's marriage to Robin Givens

SOMERVILLE, N.J., June 2,

(Reuters): World heavyweight boxing champion Mike Tyson fought the last round of his stormy union with actress Robin Givens alone yesterday when his marital sparring partner did not appear at their final divorce hearing.

After a 15-minute hearing that ended the couple's almost two-year marriage of headline-making spats, Tyson told Reuters he felt "great" and bore no grudges against Givens.

"I don't have grudges against anyone," said the 22-year-old boxer with a record of 36 wins and no defeats. "I understand everyone's behaviour because I am human also."

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"Judge Graham Ross granted the divorce and told the heavyweight champion, 'Mr Tyson, good luck to you.'"

Givens, 24, who filed for divorce last October after calling Tyson "physically abusive," was scheduled to appear but her lawyer said she had agreed to the confidential terms of the settlement and authorised him to withdraw her counter-claim.

Meanwhile, Tyson's scheduled July 21 fight against Carl "The Truth" Williams has been finalized, Tyson's estranged manager said yesterday, and negotiations have begun for a bout against former champion George Foreman in China.

Bill Cayton said the fight against Williams at Atlantic City, New Jersey, "was definitely on. As far as I know, the contracts are signed."

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## McGuigan quits boxing after defeat

MANCHESTER, England, June 2, (Reuters): Former world featherweight champion Barry McGuigan retired from boxing on Wednesday after suffering a shattering defeat against Londoner Jim McDonnell.

The Irishman's hopes of regaining the crown were destroyed by a shock fourth round stoppage because of a badly-cut right eye.

"I said when I started my comeback that if I lost I would retire. I don't intend to reverse that," said McGuigan.

"Boxing has been very good to Barry McGuigan. I just wish I could have given everyone better value for money."

McGuigan never really got into the fight against his unfancied opponent.

The cut opened in the second round and quickly became worse than those McGuigan suffered in his last fight against Argentine Julio Miranda in December.

McDonnell went to work on the cut with by far the best display of his career and after one minute 43 seconds of the fourth round, the bout was halted.

The contest was billed as a final eliminator for Azumah Nelson's WBC super-featherweight crown but there could be a problem for McDonnell because he fought and lost to South African Brian Mitchell for the WBA version in November.

IBF champion Tony Lopez of the United States, the McGuigan was expecting to challenge around September, could now be McDonnell's target as well.

McGuigan was one of the most exciting fighters around as he climbed to the WBA world title in 1985. But after two successful defences he made the mistake of taking on Steve Cruz in the oppressive heat of Las Vegas and lost on points.

## Ecclestone plans handicap system for winner

PHOENIX, Ariz., June 2,

(Reuters): Ayrton Senna could face the handicap of up to three compulsory pit-stops in each race if he continues his winning sequence in Grand Prix motor racing, Formula One supremo Bernie Ecclestone said today.

Ecclestone, president of the Formula One Constructors' Association (FOCA) and vice-president of the International Motorsports Federation (FISA), called for a change in the rules to keep alive interest in the second half of the season.

He said he was concerned that the dominance of the Brazilian world champion and his Honda-powered McLaren team was killing off interest in the world

championship.

"I think the pit stops idea is a good one. It is not really a handicap but a change in the rules because it will be the same for everyone."

"It affects the drivers and not the teams. If a driver has won a race he will have to stop for tyres in the next race. If he has won two races, then it will mean two pit stops and so on up to a maximum of three."

"If Senna goes on winning, then we can sit back and acclaim a truly great champion and I will be happy."

"I would just prefer not to know he is going to win this weekend's race, for example. This will make it less easy to

predict."

Ecclestone's scheme is one of several being considered by FISA as a way to enliven this year's world championship and maintain public, media and sponsors' interest in the second half of the season.

Ecclestone said he would like to see the scheme introduced in the second half of the current season, immediately after the British Grand Prix at Silverstone in July.

If the system was operating already, Senna would be facing three compulsory pit-stops this Sunday in the US Grand Prix in Phoenix and Briton Nigel Mansell one.

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## Van der Linden scores four for Belgium

LILLE, France, June 2, (Reuters): Marc van der Linden brilliantly orchestrated the retirement party for national coach Guy Thys yesterday as he scored four goals in Belgium's 5-0 rout of Luxembourg in their World Cup soccer qualifier.

Van der Linden's first goal came in the 13th minute when a high pass from Eric Gerets caught the Luxembourg defence by surprise. The ball had bounced twice before Van der Linden reacted first and headed the ball beyond reach of goalkeeper John van Rijswijk and a defender on the goal line.

Belgium went further ahead in the 52nd minute when Jan Ceulemans nodded a Patrick Vervoort pass to the unmarked Van der Linden who hammered the ball past a diving Van Rijswijk.

Ten minutes later Luxembourg defender Pierre Petry tackled March Degryse in the penalty area and Van der Linden completed his hat-trick.

Just two minutes further on Vervoort lifted a free kick over a wall of defenders and the ball swerved past Van Rijswijk high into the net.

Yet another goal by Vervoort from a Marc

Emmers pass in the 72nd minute was ruled offside by Bulgarian referee Borislav Alexandrov.

But the irrepressible Van der Linden scored in the dying seconds after taking the ball from Bruno Versavel who had eluded three defenders.

Belgium, still unbeaten in Group Seven after five World Cup qualifiers, are now three points clear of Czechoslovakia and Portugal in Group Seven and are close to clinching one of the two qualifying places from the section.

## W. Germany draw in Wales

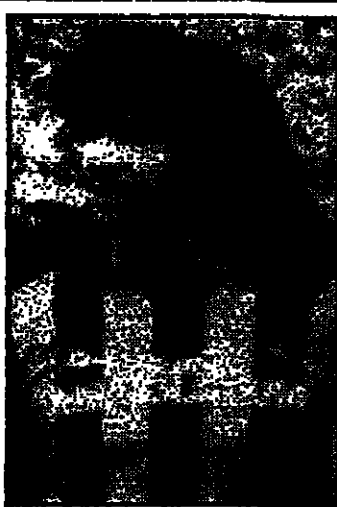
### Dutch go to top of standings

CARDIFF, June 2, (Reuters): West Germany gained a hard-earned draw against Wales on Wednesday but the 0-0 stalemate left the Netherlands top of World Cup qualifying Group Four following their 1-0 win in Finland.

The Welsh were left seething after being refused a penalty that could have revived their hopes of qualifying for the finals. Seconds before a half-time defender, Guido Buchwald, appeared to use an arm to win an aerial challenge with Mark Hughes but Portuguese referee Carlos Silva Valette refused claims for a spot kick.

West Germany had also escaped when David Phillips failed to put enough power into a clear shot after Ian Rush had caused chaos in the penalty area. Clayton Blackmore, Hughes and substitute Colin Pascoe all shot, agonisingly across the face of Bodo Illner's goal as Wales pressed forward in the second half.

But it was also a game of frayed tempers and indifferent refereeing with six players booked — Blackmore, Rush, Hughes and Barry Horne of Wales and Thomas Berthold and Andreas Brehme of West Ger-



Ruud Gullit

many.

Horne was lucky not to be sent off after a two-footed tackle which laid out Alois Reinhardt at the start of the second half.

From the start, the Welsh produced the aggression which had been missing from their recent performances and exploited West German uneasiness in the centre of defence, where Reinhardt was making his debut in place of the injured Juer-

gen Kohler.

Rush passed fit late in the day, squeezed a third minute shot just wide and Phillips shot straight at the goalkeeper in the 29th minute when Reinhardt desperately pushed the ball away from Rush.

The West Germans posed little threat and Rush thought he was about to score when he prodded the ball towards an empty net in the 44th minute after goalkeeper Bodo Illner had been unable to hold on to Horne's shot. But once again Reinhardt denied him, hacking the ball away.

And in Helsinki, Wim Kieft scored three minutes from time to give the Netherlands the narrowest of victories.

The European champions had come to the Olympic stadium seeking not just a win but a high score to boost their chances of qualifying for the finals from European Group Four.

But the Dutch had to wait until the 87th minute before a header from Kieft ended the brave Finnish challenge.

Dreadlocked Dutchman Ruud Gullit, nursing a knee injury, had said before the match he would come on only if everything were going wrong.

For the Netherlands, every-

thing was going wrong until the AC Milan star replaced Juel Ellermann after 55 minutes.

But coach Thijs Libregts made the right choice and it was from a long Gullit cross from the right that Kieft netted the winner.

Libregts said: "We were very satisfied with the win. It was not an easy match for us, but the team and I were expecting a tough game."

He said the Netherlands had been unlucky not to score in the first half and again in the dying minutes.

Finland opted for a vigorous, well-organised defence and most of the pressure came from the Dutch.

But in the first 20 minutes the visitors, without Gullit, seemed hesitant. Then Gullit's AC Milan team-mate Frank Rijkaard gradually found his stride and combined well with right winger Gerald Vanenburg.

The Dutch had a couple of near-misses in the first half. Finland's Ari Heikkinen, impressive in the centre of the defence, tipped a Marco van Basten header over the bar after 18 minutes. Just before the break another Dutch effort was cleared off the line.

## Monaco gain UEFA place

PARIS, June 2, (Reuters): England's Glenn Hoddie and Liberian striker Georges Weah scored two goals apiece to give Monaco a 4-1 win over Nantes in the final round of French Soccer's First Division on Wednesday and a place in next season's UEFA Cup.

The victory secured third place for Monaco behind Marseille and Paris Saint-Germain, who both failed to win, and ahead of Sochaux on goal difference.

Marseille, already guaranteed the title, were beaten 1-0 at Montpellier and PSG were held to a 2-2 draw at home to Metz.

## English soccer

LONDON, June 2, (Reuters): Results of first-leg matches in English League promotion play-off soccer finals on Wednesday.

Blackburn	Division Two	3	Crystal P.	1
Bristol R.	Division Three	1	Port Vale	1

## England take on Poland

LONDON, June 2, (Reuters): Goalkeeper Peter Shilton hopes to exorcise the ghosts of Poland's last World Cup visit to Wembley when he celebrates a record-equaling 108th appearance for England tomorrow.

Shilton will join former captain Bobby Moore as England's two most capped soccer internationalists when he lines up against the Poles in a European Group Two qualifier.

Shilton, 39, first appeared in an England squad in 1969 and could take a major step towards his fourth World Cup finals if group leaders England take two points.

Despite his glittering career, Shilton has never forgotten the sight at Wembley 16 years ago when he conceded the goal which earned Poland the 1-1 draw which cost England their place in the 1974 finals in West Germany.

"That's got to be the low point of nearly 20 years in the England team," Shilton said. "I got most of the blame."

But he insisted: "To equal Bobby Moore's record is a great achievement of which I am extremely proud. But victory over Poland would override even such a landmark because it is far more important."

"The result is what matters in Saturday — not the record. My only reason to celebrate against Poland will be a victory and two World Cup points."

England have yet to concede a goal in their current campaign to reach Italy and Shilton, the only survivor from the 1973 match, will not be satisfied unless that particular record is maintained against the Poles.

The hosts have five points

from three matches and head the four-team group on goal difference from Sweden.

Poland, with two points from their last qualifying match on May 7 and coach Wojciech Lazarek will select from a 16-man squad which excludes talented striker Dariusz Dziekanowski. He is under a two-match ban by his club Legia Warsaw for failing to attend training sessions.

Veteran defender Roma Wojcicki warned England to forget about their 3-0 triumph when the sides last met at the Mexico World Cup three years ago.

"The hot conditions were terrible, particularly for an East European side," he said. "Now we have a different team and a different team structure."



## Eastern Conference playoffs

Detroit Pistons' Mark Aguirre (right) passes the ball as Chicago Bulls' Michael Jordan watches in the first quarter of their National Basketball Association's Eastern Conference playoffs on Wednesday evening. Pistons won the match 94-85 to take a 3-2 lead in the best-of-seven series. (Reuters wirephoto).

## Ardy knocks Frost out of tournament

JAKARTA, Indonesia, June 2, (AP): Morten Frost Hansen of Denmark and China's Han Aiping, the No. 2 seeds in the men's and women's singles divisions of the 6th World Individual Badminton Championships, were eliminated yesterday.

The two well-known shuttlers were defeated by 19-year-old Indonesian Ardy Bernardus Wiranata and Eline Coene, 25, of the Netherlands.

Ardy upset Frost 15-11, 15-2 in only 37 minutes at Jakarta's Senayan Sports Palace.

Hansen's defeat left fellow Dane Poul-Erik Hoyer the only European shuttler in the best-eight rounds, to be played today. Hoyer, who eliminated Indonesia's Liou Pongoh 15-3, 15-9, was to take on top seed and defending champion Yang Yang of China.

Yang advanced by defeating Indonesian Allan Budikusuma 15-10, 15-3.

Ardy was to face compatriot Hermawan Susanto, who disposed of Stephen Butler of England 6-15, 15-1, 15-11.

The two other quarterfinal matches were to pit Indonesia's former world champion Iuk Sugiarto, seeded 4th, against No. 8 seed Zhao Jian Hua of China and Indonesian Eddy Kurniawan against China's Xiong Guo Bao.

In the ladies' singles division, 14th-seeded Coene upset Han, a 27-year-old, two-time world champion, 11-2, 1-1, 11-8.

In today's best-eight round, Coene was to meet Indonesia's Sarwendah Kusumawardani.

## Weibring equals course record for one-shot lead

POTOMAC, Md., June 2, (Reuters): D.A. Weibring equalled the course record yesterday with a seven-under-par 64 to take a one-shot lead after the first round of the \$900,000 Kemper Open.

Weibring, who posted seven birdies without a bogey, tied the mark previously recorded by Tom Kite, Australian Greg Norman and Craig Stadler over the 6,917-yard TPC at Avenel course.

Fred Funk was second after a 65 with Donnie Hammond, Tom Byrum and Bill Buttner another stroke behind.

Despite playing with an infected big toe on his left foot that forced him to quit after nine holes of Wednesday's Pro-Am, Weibring had a solid round that featured four birdies in a five-hole stretch on his back nine.

"I was just thankful to be able to play today," said Weibring. "The toe didn't bother me at all while swinging the club, but I limped around a little on the hills out there."

Funk, the former coach at nearby University of Maryland, began his round on the back nine and had a sizzling five-under-par 30 that included four birdies in his first five holes.

He made a lone bogey at his 13th hole of the day, but quickly recovered with a birdie on the next hole to move into sole possession of second place.

"I got off to a real fast start for the first time all year today and that was the key," said Funk.

Donnie Hammond, another local player, had a hole in one on the 11th hole today on his way to a 66.

Canadian Dave Barr had a four-under-par 67 while a group of 11 players had three-under-par 68s including former Kemper Open champion Tom Kite, the leading money winner on the 1989 PGA tour, and Fulton Allem of South Africa.

## Sheehan hits 4-under-par 68

ROCHESTER, N.Y., June 2, (Reuters): Veteran Patty Sheehan made up for a mediocre first nine with five birdies the rest of the way to take a one-stroke lead after the opening round of the \$300,000 Rochester International golf tournament.

Heavy rains from Wednesday made the already long 6,162-yard Locust Hill Country Club course play even longer.

"The course is wet and long," said Sheehan, who shot a four-

under-par 68. "If you hit the ball in the rough, it's so difficult to get out of that heavy wet grass."

Ayako Okamoto of Japan, winner of last week's Corning Classic, shot a 69 to stand alone in second place. Betsy King, Pati Rizzo and Sherri Turner were another shot back at 70.

Sheehan started her round on the 10th hole and bogeyed three holes in a row — the 12th, 13th and 14th.

## China beat S. Korea for crown

TOTTORI, Japan, June 2, (UPI): World champion China beat South Korea and Czechoslovakia rolled over Japan today to capture the women's and men's team titles respectively in the \$51,000 Japan Open table tennis championships, the first cash prize-carrying table tennis event in Japan.

China whitewashed South Korea 3-0 while Czechoslovakia scored a 3-1 victory over Japan.

Hong Qiao and Xiaoxin Hu, champion and runnerup in the World Championships in April, teamed up to defeat Jung Im Lee and Mi Sook Kwon 21-9, 1-15 in the doubles to give China the 3-0 sweep.

Hong beat Jung 21-14, 21-31 while Xiaoxin came from behind to edge Sun Hee Yook 15-21, 21-19, 21-15.

In the men's competition, Czechoslovakia swept over Japan's B team 3-1 to win the title.

Tomas Janci defeated Seiji Ono 21-13, 21-12, while Petr Korbel rolled over Kyoota Taira 21-13, 21-18.

Ono teamed with Masaya Mikami to trounce Korbel and Petr Javurek 21-19, 15-21, 21-12, but Janci beat Taira in the crucial final match 21-14, 21-15.

Players from 13 countries were entered in the tournament which will also include the men's and women's singles and doubles. The men's singles title is worth \$12,000 and the women's championship \$10,000.

## Eastern bloc boxers set to dominate

ATHENS, June 2, (Reuters): Eastern bloc boxers are set to take the bulk of the medals at the European Amateur Championships.

East Germany have 10 fighters certain of medals followed by Bulgaria and the Soviet Union with nine — hardly surprising since the three countries claimed 11 of the 12 titles at the 1987 championships in Turin.

Just before the start of this week's tournament European Amateur Boxing Association (EABA) officials abandoned their controversial plan for five-round bouts instead of the traditional three. The late decision followed several protests from team managers claiming the longer bouts would be too physically demanding.

After a boycott threat the EABA decided the rules would remain unchanged for the time being.

Seoul Bronze medalist Robert Isaszegi of Hungary was first into the finals. His opponent, European champion Nshan Munchan of the Soviet Union, was disqualified for an irregular blow in the second round.



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## SPORTS

## Challengers want America's Cup in early 1992

AUCKLAND, June 2. (Reuters): America's Cup hopefuls called yesterday for the next challenge to be held early in 1992, whatever the outcome of a bitter legal wrangle over yachting's most coveted trophy.

A total of 19 challengers made the call after meeting in Auckland, site for the next Cup regatta if New Zealand wins a US courtroom battle with California's San Diego Yacht Club.

"The challengers are very firmly determined in their opinion that the next challenge should be held early in 1992," Stan Reid, of

the Royal Perth Yacht Club, told a news conference.

As "challenger of record," Perth represents clubs ranging from a Soviet syndicate to the Hawaii-based Outrigger Canoe Club. Challengers must agree the date with the Cup's holder — but only a US court can decide who that will be.

Legal bickering has plagued the Cup for a number of years as mushrooming commercialisation has turned the event into a multi-million dollar business.

Earlier this year a New York court stripped San Diego of the Cup and awarded it to New Zealand's Mercury Bay Boating Club.

The judge said the Californians had broken rules dating from the 1st century by fielding a swift catamaran which easily beat Mercury Bay's single-hull sloop in an acrimonious challenge last September.

But San Diego has appealed and the US court has yet to make the final ruling on who will secure the trophy — and the lucrative right to stage the next event.

## Graf crushes Jagerman

## Rain hits French Open



Steffi Graf

PARIS, June 2. (Reuters): Defending champion Steffi Graf got off centre court in double-quick time as usual today, easily defeating Dutch opponent Nicole Pietrangeli but only just beating the rain.

Graf needed only an hour to record her 6-1 6-2 victory but light rain which had started to fall after only eight minutes of the match became heavier and the covers were put on centre court as soon as the players walked off.

Play was suspended on the outside courts too with only one other match completed, American Ann Grossman, like Graf, advanced to the last 16 of the women's singles with a 6-4 6-1 win over Akiko Kijimuta of Japan.

West German Graf, who only dropped 20 games in winning the title last year, is in with a chance of bettering her performance having conceded only six games in three matches.

Graf ran back to the baseline

at the last change in an effort to complete the match before conditions worsened.

There was only one hiccup in Graf's play when she dropped her serve to love leading 4-1 in the second. Jagerman threatened to pull back to 4-3 when she got to 40-15 on her serve but the West German recovered to take the game and, shortly afterwards, the match.

Her main rival, second seed Gabriela Sabatini of Argentina, is due to meet last year's semifinalist Nicole Pietrangeli of Australia later in the day though weather forecasts suggest play will face major disruptions because of rain.

Graf's compatriot Boris Becker may have been glad of the delay. He went off court leading 5-4 in the first set against Briton Jeremy Bates when play was held up after 46 minutes.

Becker was not at his best, dropping his serve in the third game and, though he broke

straight back, he showed plenty of signs of frustration with his play, shouting at himself in English.

Yesterday Mats Wilander and Ivan Lendl, the defending and former title-holders, eased into the third round.

Top seed Lendl, the French champion in 1984, 1986 and 1987, re-encountered his opponent from last year's US Open quarterfinals, American Derrick Rostagno, and once again beat him in straight sets, winning 6-1 6-3 6-1.

Wilander had slightly more trouble and looked to be struggling a little in the second set against Uruguay's Diego Perez. The Swede needed to win a tiebreak before settling the result at 6-3 7-6 6-3.

On a good day all round for the top seeds Andre Agassi, a popular semifinalist 12 months ago, beat Italian Paolo Cane, his first-round victim here last year, 6-2 6-2 6-3.

## Paris museum displays Lendl's art collection

PARIS, June 2. (AP): When Czechoslovak-born tennis star Ivan Lendl isn't collecting silver trophies, Grand Slam titles and fat cheques, he's collecting the works of a belle-epoque artist famous for posters, packaging and glorifying the Slavs.

"The drawings are beautiful, but the colours are fascinating, especially the red," said Lendl, pointing to a poster by his fellow countryman, Alphonse Mucha, a graphic artist whose distinctive designs graced cookie jars and perfume atomizers during the first half of this century.

Taking time out from the French Open tennis tournament being played here through June 11, the world's No. 1-ranked player toured the Musee de la Publicite, where more than 100 Muchas from Lendl's personal collection are on display through July 17.

Lendl, 29, told reporters that his home in Greenwich, Connecticut, has become too small to display them all.

Lendl was born in Ostrava, Czechoslovakia, but has resided in the United States for many years.

The exhibition also offers a glimpse of Lendl relaxing at home. Every wall of the 15-room mansion is decorated with a Mucha poster.

## Traber homers out of slump

DETROIT, June 2. (AP): Jim Traber and Rene Gonzales homered to key a six-run first inning and the Baltimore Orioles won for the 12th time in their last 15 games, beating the Detroit Tigers 8-3 last night.

Traber's brother, Pete, a former University of Michigan football player and now a doctor in Ann Arbor, says his presence may have been the key.

"He's hit extremely well every time I've watched him play," Dr Traber said. "He hit an upper

deck homer here last year when I came to see him play."

Traber entered the game batting just .190 and started only because Randy Milligan was injured.

"It's been kind of hard not playing," Traber said. "The team's doing well and I didn't feel a part of it. But I deserved to be on the bench because I had a terrible slump at the start of the season and Randy played well."

The Orioles have won four straight, equaling their longest

streak of last season, and are the first American League East team to go five games over .500 this season. They lead the second-place Boston Red Sox by 2 1-2 games.

## Results

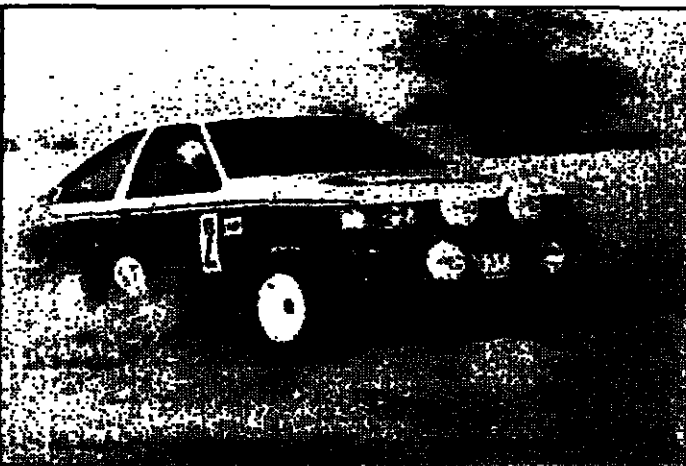
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Houston	7	Los Angeles 2

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## Kuwait car rally

Eid Fahal (left) and Ahmed Al Hilal in action during the last round of the Kuwait National Rally Championship. The rally took place in the Al Doha area late Thursday evening. The rally started from the Kuwait Airways Club in Beda. (Photos by Ahmed Al Barouni)



## Cheruiyot beats Rono in US collegiate trials

PROVO, Utah, June 2. (Reuters): Kenyan Olympian Kip Cheruiyot passed Olympic champion and compatriot Peter Rono in the final 70 metres and won his heat of the men's 1,500 metres at the US collegiate championships yesterday.

Cheruiyot was timed in three minutes 42.76 seconds, while Rono finished third in 3:43.97 as American Joe Falcon moved up to take second in 3:43.70.

"But it's okay," said Rono, who like Cheruiyot is a student at Mount Saint Mary's College in Maryland. "It was a matter of just making the finals (on Saturday)."

Meanwhile, Tananjalya Stanley of Louisiana State University equalled the fastest women's 100-metre hurdles time in the world this year with her qualifying time of 12.86 seconds.

The 100 metres for both men and women also were fast as sprinters took advantage of the rarefied air of the Brigham Young University track, which is 1,381 metres above sea level.

Jamaican Olympian Raymond Stewart, a student at Texas Christian University, led the men's 100 metres qualifying in 10.05 seconds and Dawn Sowell of Louisiana State University clocked 11.07 seconds to pace the women's qualifying.

Contender Dennis Mitchell of the University of Florida was eliminated because of a false start. One false start brings elimination under US Collegiate Association rules, unlike international rules where one false start is allowed.

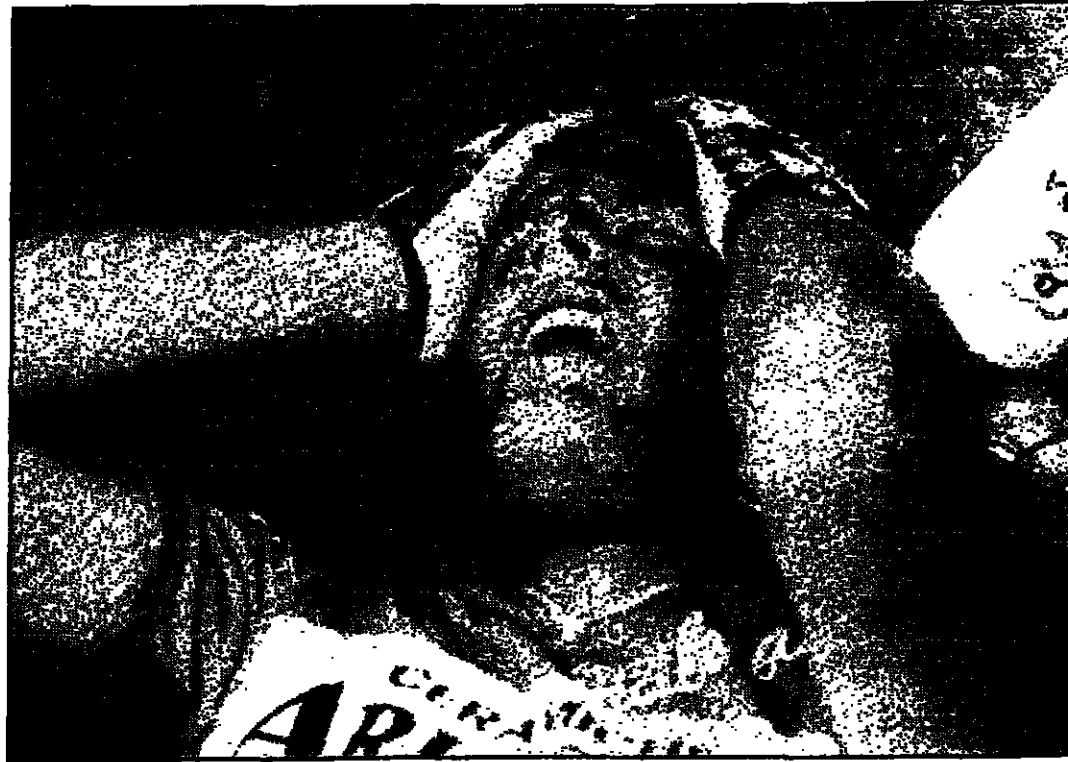
Raymond Pierre, a student at Baylor University, posted the top 400-metres time, qualifying in 45.19 seconds.

Jolanda Jones, who attends the University of Houston, won the evening's only final, the heptathlon, with 6,022 points. The total was the highest this year for the two-day event, which has been contested only infrequently so far this year.

The four-day meeting continues through tomorrow and Cheruiyot, seventh in the Olympic final, said he thought both he and Rono would be contenders in the 1,500-metres final.

"On the final lap, we'll see who is going to win," Cheruiyot said. "I'm ready to run 3:38 or 3:39," said Rono. "And I think that's what it's going to take."

That would be an excellent time considering the altitude, which, while aiding sprinters, slows runners in races over 800 metres because of the reduced oxygen.



## Tour of Italy cycle race

Rolf Sorensen of Denmark lies on the ground after falling near the finish line during the 12th stage of the Tour of Italy cycle race. Sorensen suffered possibly serious head injuries but doctors withheld an announcement on the young Dane's condition. The 12th stage was won by Mario Cipollini of Italy. Erik Breukink retained overall lead. (Reuters wirephoto)

## 150 marshals drafted in for Austrian GP

SALZBURG, Austria, June 2. (Reuters): Track safety and medical facilities have been stepped up for Sunday's Austrian Motorcycle Grand Prix following last weekend's fatal accident in the West German round of the world championship at Hockenheim.

Riders have insisted on an additional 30 tonnes of straw bales alongside the picturesque but ultra-fast 4.24-km Salzburger Alpine circuit. The number of marshals has been increased from 120 to 150.

"We have two ambulances and two first aid stations, one mobile clinic in the pits and one on the far side of the course," said Harald Manz, spokesman for the organisers. "We also have a helicopter on standby," he added.

Crash zones have also been enlarged in a bid to avoid a repeat of last Sunday's multiple accident in which Venezuelan Ivan Palazese was killed in the 250 cc race.

## SPORTS BRIEFS

## Pirelli marathon

A NUMBER of present and past champions will take part in the Pirelli Marathon, scheduled to take place June 18-23. The 3,200 km race will start from London's Tower Bridge and end at the Italian ski resort of Cortina. Former stars taking part in the event are Stirling Moss, Timo Maassen, Paddy Hopkin, Ove Andersson, Roger Clerk and Sandro Munari — four-time winner of the Monte Carlo rally.

## Diego Maradona

ROME, June 2. (Reuters): Diego Maradona could face disciplinary action for accusing the referee of bias in Napoli's 2-1 defeat by Italian champions Internazionale Milan last Sunday.

## Joyner-Kersey

PROVO, Utah, June 2. (Reuters): Olympic double gold medalist Jackie Joyner-Kersey will concentrate on the 400 metres hurdles when she begins her European athletics tour late next month.

## New steps

REYKJAVIK, Iceland, June 2. (AP): European sports ministers say they hope their approval of tough resolutions condemning drugs and apartheid will encourage governments to take major new steps in the battle against two of the biggest problems facing sports.

## Libertadores Cup

BOGOTA, June 2. (Reuters): Nacional de Medellin won the Libertadores Cup, South American soccer club championship, by defeating Olimpia of Paraguay 5-4 in a penalty shootout on Wednesday.

## Italian soccer

ROME, June 2. (Reuters): The Italian Soccer Union called a first division players' strike for June 11 yesterday to protest against a statement over transfer terms.

## Sweden win

OREBRO, Sweden, June 2. (Reuters): Substitute Klas Ingegnsson scored twice to help Sweden to a comfortable 2-0 (half-time 1-0) victory over Algeria in a soccer friendly on Wednesday.

## World record

HAVANA, June 2. (Reuters): Francisco Herrera, a 27-year-old Cuban on Wednesday set a world record of 148 feet (45 metres) for the deepest dive without oxygen tanks, fins or weights, the national news agency AIN reported.

## Key players

DUBLIN, June 2. (Reuters): Hungary will be without four key players when they clash with Ireland on Sunday in a World Cup showdown which has assumed sudden-death proportions.

## Rider killed

LONDON, June 2. (Reuters): A motorcycle rider was killed in practice today on Britain's Isle of Man Tourist Trophy (TT) circuit — the third to die on the treacherous course this week.

## Blue Jays

TORONTO, June 2. (Reuters): Cito Gaston, who has been interim manager since Jimmy Williams was fired two weeks ago, was named manager of the Toronto Blue Jays on Wednesday.

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